HBC Advocates Increase In Funds For Health Sector

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Consent of Universal Health Care
project, John Allen Mabaso, has stated
that the organization would work hard to
bring the government to increase the funds alluded
to in the health sector.

According to Mr. Mabaso, this would ensure
that domestic generated funds are increased for
the health sector.

"Evidence has shown that countries that
spending with the Universal Health Care
(UHC) are those that are spending domestic
generated funds on health", and the "many years ago, Africa
signed up with the Abuja Declaration to
spend 10% of their budget on health, but no country in the
continent has been able to meet that target."

Mr. Mabaso continued further that "we are
currently doing less than 6% of our national budget
on health."

Additionally, he added, that being a middle
in the world, where many countries would want to drive
the health sector "and this is what we ask."

The media can also advocate information on health
issues in educating the people and creating aware-
ness health issues.

"To help National CSOs understand how
to do training in their communities by mobiliz-
ing individuals for universal health coverage and
domestic health financing budget advocacy," he

figure out ways to help media understand how
they can advocate and keep decisions makers
accountable."

Mr. LaMont said in keeping decisions makers
accountable, the media must look out for what goes
into the financial budget and what such monetary
allocations are used for and if they have served their