

# Review of: "Health System Reform: Decentralization of Health System in Pakistan"

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The paper by Dr. Sarhandi is an important piece to understand the legislative reforms ushered in the health care system of Pakistan. It provides basic constitutional amendments that have been effected.

The paper has several assumptions that a reader is presumed to have, which makes it difficult to understand the dense content. Therefore, it would help if the following is explained in the text of the paper.

1. This section needs to elaborate how the health system is constitutionally positioned in Pakistan, including the meanings of FLL, CLL, etc.
2. 18th Constitutional amendment - 6 components. In a table or in a paragraph, if a sentence or two of each one can be explained with regard to its content and change. Also explain what it was, what it is now, what the change is, and its implications.
3. Implications: The paper then needs to thematically discuss the implications - decentralisation, devolution - so that the reader is able to make judgments if this amendment has positive or negative impacts. The author need not go with the assumptions that all reforms are aimed towards social good or making health care accessible or affordable to people.