

## ABBREVIATIONS

Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome	AIDS
All India Reporter	AIR
American Medical Association	AMA
Appeal Cases	AC
Auxiliary Nursing Midwifery	ANMs
Ayurveda, Unani, Siddha and Homeopathy	AYUSH
British Broadcasting Corporation	BBC
British Medical Association	BMA
Central Information Commission	CIC
Centre for Enquiry into Health and Allied Themes	CEHAT
Child Survival and Safe Motherhood	CSSM
Community Development Program	CDP
Community Health Worker	CHW
Computerized Tomography	CT
Consumer Guidance Society of India	CGSI
Consumer Protection Act	COPRA
Continuing Medical Education	CME
Convention on Rights of Child	CRC
Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women	CEDAW
Council for International Organizations of Medical Sciences	CIOMS
Court of Appeal	CA
Data Protection Act	DPA
Department of Health and Social Security	DHSS
Directive Principles of State Policy	DPSP
Employees State Insurance Scheme	ESIS
European Convention of Human Rights	ECHR
European Convention on Human Rights and Biomedicine	ECHRb
European Union	EU
Freedom of Information Act	FOIA
General Medical Council	GMC

Gross Domestic Product	GDP
Health Insurance and Portability Accountability Act	HIPAA
Health Maintenance Organization	HMO
Health Protection and Promotion Act	HPPA
High Court	HC
High Level Expert Group	HLEG
Human Immunodeficiency Virus	HIV
Indian Council of Medical Research	ICMR
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Indian Penal Code	IPC
Indian Systems of Medicine and Homoeopathy	ISM&H
Infant Mortality Rate	IMR
Information Technology	IT
International Alliance of Patients' Organizations	IAPO
International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights	ICCPR
International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	ICESCR
International Labour Organization	ILO
Intrauterine contraceptive device	IUCD
Laboratory and Specimen Collection Centre Licensing Act	LSCCLA
Maternal Mortality Ratio	MMR
Medical Council of India	MCI
Medical Termination of Pregnancy	MTP
Minimum Needs Programme	MNP
Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	MOHFW
Multi-purpose Worker	MPW
National Health Mission	NHM
National Health Policy	NHP
National Health Service	NHS
National Human Rights Commission	NHRC
National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence	NICE
National Malaria Eradication Programme	NMEP
National Population Policy	NPP
National Rural Health Mission	NRHM

National Sample Survey Organization	NSSO
New Jersey	NJ
New South Wales	NSW
New York	NY
Non-governmental Organization	NGO
Nursing and Midwifery Council	NMC
Office International d'Hygiene Publique	OIHP
Panchayati Raj Institutions	PRIs
Permanent Vegetative State	PVS
Pre-Conception and Pre-Natal Diagnostic Technique	PCPNDT
Primary Health Care	PHC
Public Health Centre	PHC
Public Information Officer	PIO
Quality Adjusted Life Years	QALY
Queen's Bench	QB
Right to Information	RTI
Royal Bank of Scotland	RBS
State Information Commission	SIC
Sub-centres	SC
Supreme Court	SC
Total Fertility Rate	TFR
Union of India	UI
United Kingdom	UK
United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting	UKCC
United Nation International Children's Emergency Fund	UNICEF
United Nations	UN
United Nations Education, Scientific, and Cultural Organization	UNESCO
United States of America	USA
Universal Declaration of Human Rights	UDHR
World Health Assembly	WHA
World Health Organization	WHO
World Medical Association	WMA