Considerable progress has been made in the Philippines during the 2021 year. Key achievements included:

- Re-development of the National Mental Health Strategic Plan to reflect changes made to indicators, activities, and deliverables, including those specific to the Special Initiative for Mental Health;
- Recalibration of National Government Agencies scorecards to reflect priorities of the Special Initiative for Mental Health;
- Finalisation and dissemination of the Economic Investment Case for Mental Health, with over 1,200 people attending the online launch event;
- Initiated the development of the community-based mental health programme framework;
- Commencement of pilot training for community-based mental healthcare sites, enabling 25 community health workers and 13 barangay officials to deliver psychosocial interventions;
- Completion of a substantial mhGAP training and supervision rollout plans including varied approaches and content for different cadres of the Philippines mental health workforce;
- Finalisation and roll out of the locally adapted mhGAP intervention guide, operations manual, community toolkit, and competency-based learning curriculum deliverable through e-learning methods; and,
- Finalisation of a detailed country-specific M&E plan, including a baseline assessment and development of suitable outcome measures and other indicators.

In the year 2022, the Philippines will continue to focus on implementation, including:

- Increasing the capacity of service providers to identify, support and treat people with mental health conditions;
- Establishing a pool of core trainers to support the expansion, adoption, and utilisation of WHO tools, particularly the mhGAP-Intervention Guide, Operations Manual and Community Toolkit;
- Developing and designing Mental Health Information Systems at barangay, provincial, regional, and national levels, to ensure the provision of more accurate, integrated, and reliable data for program planning, service delivery and quality monitoring.