Starting in the summer of 2009, the Two Years to Two Decades (2y2d) Initiative asked nearly 1000 faculty, students, staff and community stakeholders for input on where they want the UW to be in 20 years and what matters most to them in light of current challenges.

Based on initial findings, 2010-11 focus groups identified six of society’s major issues they felt the UW should work to solve in the coming decades: Environmental Sustainability & Clean Energy, Education, Health, Social Justice & Inequality, Educated & Engaged Local/Global Citizens, and Economic Vitality.

Combined raw data of Health-related comments from External Stakeholder groups are listed below.

Participant responses fell under the following headings:

Healthy Lives, here and globally
Health care
Affordable and accessible healthcare
Inaccessible and inequitable health care
Health
Global Health

Individual responses, roughly grouped by topic, appear below:

- preventative medicine, health
- prevention education
- solutions to medical issues--disease cure, prevention
- prevention of disease nutrition/exercise education

- contributing to cures for major disease (cancer, heart disease)
- solving major epidemic problems (malaria & famine in Africa, etc.)
- hunger--domestically and internationally
- cure cancer

- changing the way we provide health care
- efficient health care
- demonstrate medical care models to improve continuum of care
- health care reform
- healthcare system redesign
- health care efficiency, new model of cure
- public health at home, NW regional solutions
- home health care systems

- emerging medical treatment--health care access
- improving health/access to healthcare
- access to health for all
- Accessibility
- health care available to all
- Accessibility--health, law, education, information, etc.
- Access to health and housing for everyone
- Health care economics & delivery
- Healthcare: quality, access, research
- need access to health care

- funding of health care on a sustainable basis
- health care
- affordable and appropriate health care
- address cost of health care
- health care costs--how to be more efficient
- health care costs, redesign
- cost of health care

- Cancer research
- health care costs driven by research not assumptions
- Public Health issues--research
- Health care research, breakthroughs, access
- continue to lead the field in medical research & education
- driving pure research (because private enterprise won't)

- education focus on disciplines that enhance our competitiveness (math, science, engineering, health)
- play a leading role in basic science to establish a foundation for medicine, engineering, health
- Basic health science
- better use of technology in health related fields

- Elder care: baby boomers & beyond; biggest group of aging individuals
- Aging of our population
- Providing primary physicians for our health care
- regional/national training/education to replace aging work force and health care
- produce healthy and productive aging (in response to the "graying of the globe")
- see education--health care's aging work force
- managing health care for an aging population
- workforce productivity
- increased life expectancy

- healthy communities--food, environment and transportation
- create healthy communities
- MD's in underserved communities--urban/rural

- Ethics--health, financial services, public policy
- Examining the ethics of health care rationing
- Ethics

- Health issues
- Emerging nations: health & population issues
- Global issues of environment, health and economy
- Global issues of environment, health & economy
- local/global health care issues
- world health—improving lives around the world
- global health initiatives
- global health care
- health is one problem to focus on in a global sense. The other is to produce educated people who intern
- Global health/life sciences
- 3rd world water and health
- global health
- needs—combine CSE with UW Med to address world health issues, opportunities—? Law school and Jackson school to develop a corps of international …(?)
- solving global health
- eradicate health disparities—locally, nationally, globally!