

iHEA 2019 Pre-Congress Session

Data to drive Benefit Package Design: a Hands-on Orientation to WHO tools for informing strategic purchasing priorities through cost-effectiveness and budget impact analysis

The objective of this session is to orient participants to existing, practical tools for country level economic analysis to guide strategic purchasing priorities under UHC. The format combines technical presentations, country experiences, and hands-on training.

This session is centred around methods and tools to inform decisions around what interventions to include in guaranteed health benefit packages. Many countries include cost-effectiveness as a criteria. However, service packages also need to take into account budget implications, health system capacity and feasibility of implementation.

In this session participants will learn about tools supported by WHO and other UN agencies to facilitate country-level generation of cost and impact projections, intended to inform both cost-effectiveness analysis and budget impact assessment. Participants will carry out hands-on exercises to generate data, hear from country users about their experience, and engage in discussion around the applications.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own laptops to be able to participate fully in the hands-on exercises.

List of presenters and facilitators:

1. Karin Stenberg, WHO
2. Melanie Bertram, WHO
3. Howard Friedman, UNFPA
4. Neil Thalagala, Ministry of Health, Sri Lanka
5. Alemayehu Desalegne Hailu, Ministry of Health Ethiopia, and University of Bergen
6. Getachew Teshome Eregata, Ministry of Health Ethiopia, and University of Bergen
7. Sayem Ahmed, International Centre for Diarrhoeal Disease Research, Bangladesh (icddr,b)

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Time	Activity	Duration	Presenter
13.00-13.10	Welcome and introductions (software installation as needed)	10 mins	Karin Stenberg
13.10-13.30	Data to drive benefit package design: an overview of WHO methods <ul style="list-style-type: none">• WHO-CHOICE tool kit to generate country level evidence on cost-effectiveness, budget impact, and health system impact• Guidance on processes for using the evidence to inform strategic purchasing decisions	20 mins	Melanie Bertram, Karin Stenberg
13.30 - 13.45	Quick orientation to the OneHealth Tool	15 mins	Howard Friedman
13.45 - 14.00	Using the OneHealth Tool to inform the costing of the Essential Health Service Package in Bangladesh	15 mins	Sayem Ahmed
14.00—14.15	Q&A	15 mins	All
14.15—14.30	Introduction to hands-on exercise on the OneHealth Tool	15 mins	Howard Friedman
14.30 -15.00	Coffee break	30 mins	
15.00 - 15.30	OneHealth Tool Hands-on exercise	30 mins	Guidance provided by facilitators

15.30 – 15.45	Introduction to hands-on exercise on cost-effectiveness analysis (CEA)	15 mins	Melanie Bertram
15.45 - 16.00	CEA hands-on exercise: select inputs and run	15 mins	Guidance provided by facilitators
16.00 -16.15	Data to inform policy and purchasing decisions: revising the Essential Health Services Package in Ethiopia	15 mins	Alemayehu Desalegne Hailu and Getachew Teshome Eregata
16.15 -16.30	Future resource needs for Primary Health Care: generating estimates for Indonesia	15 minutes	Neil Thalagala
16.30 – 16.50	Review results from CEA hands-on exercise Making the link between CEA and budget impact	20 minutes	Melanie Bertram
16.50 – 17.00	Conclusion and wrap up	15 minutes	Karin Stenberg