

Supporting the use of research evidence (SURE) for policy in African health systems

Workshop materials

14. Clarifying uncertainties and needs for monitoring and evaluation

Objectives

- To be able to assess whether there important uncertainties that should be addressed prior to making a decision about an option
- To be able to assess what should potentially be monitored and how
- To be able to assess what should potentially be evaluated and how

Pre-workshop tasks

Read SURE guides for preparing and using policy briefs: 6. Clarifying uncertainties and needs for monitoring and evaluation. Available at: www.evipnet.org/sure

Reading

The SURE Collaboration. SURE guides for preparing and using policy briefs: 6. Clarifying uncertainties and needs for monitoring and evaluation. Version 2.1 [updated November 2011]. The SURE Collaboration, 2011. Available at: www.evipnet.org/sure

Additional resources

Fretheim A, Oxman AD, Lavis JN, Lewin S. SUPPORT Tools for evidence-informed health Policymaking (STP): 18. Planning monitoring and evaluation of policies. Health Res Policy Syst 2009, 7(Suppl 1):S18.

Presentation

Monitoring and evaluation (SURE 14 Monitoring and evaluation.pptx)

Worksheets

Worksheet for considering needs and alternatives for monitoring the implementation of an option (see the Additional resources section of Guide 6)

Worksheet for considering the need and alternatives for evaluating the impacts of an option (see the Additional resources section of Guide 6)

Notes

Time required: 30 minutes for interactive presentation, 30 to 60 minutes to consider monitoring and evaluation in relationship to an option

Format: Brief presentation and work in small groups or individually

Tips:

- The example of an option should ideally be one that participants are considering in a policy brief. Alternatively, a systematic review describing a relevant option can be provided to participants.
- The individual or small group work can be dropped if there is not enough time.