

Use of Evidence to Decision frameworks - opportunities and challenges

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Evidence-informed policy-making



Using best-available evidence to answer policy questions

Policy-maker questions	What are the main priority issues/problems for decision-making?	What are the potential effective and safe policy options?	Are the policy options cost-effective and affordable?	Are the policy options feasible to implement and sustainable?
Policy-makers are keen in using evidence in their decisions				
Usual sources of evidence	Important challenges in: availability, validity, relevance and timeliness of research and national data			
Knowledge products and processes	Policy briefs			
	Data fact sheets and observatories	Guidelines and health technology assessments		
Important challenges in availability of products and processes				

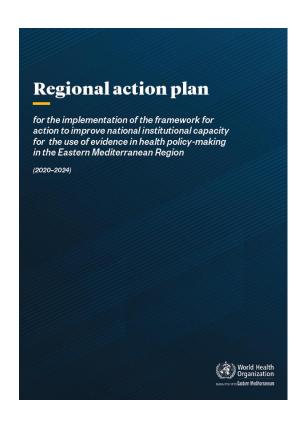
What should be done?

Enhancing national institutional capacity for Evidence-Informed Policy-Making





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Framework for improving national institutional capacity for use of evidence in health policy-making in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (2020–2024)

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Policy-making objectives, processes, and interactions



Policy-maker questions

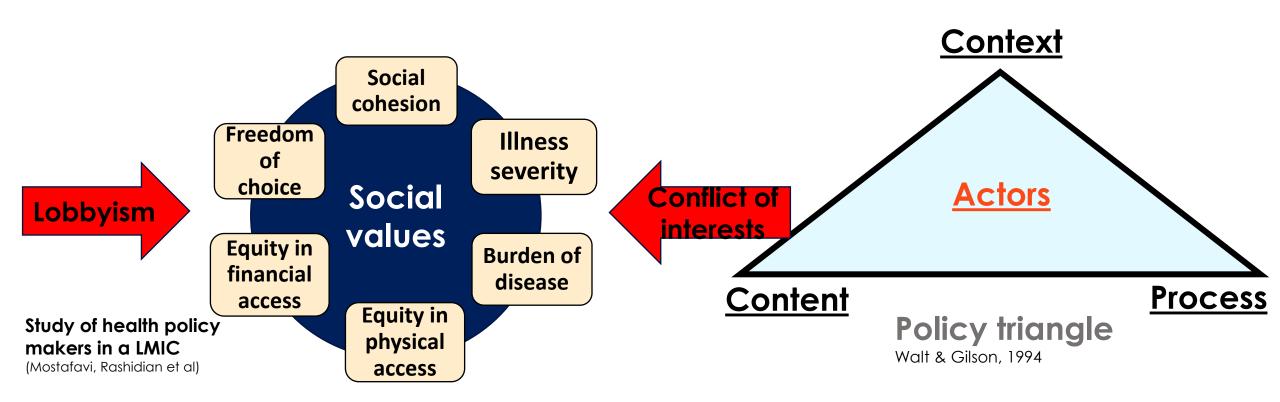
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What are the potential effective and safe policy options?

Are the policy options costeffective and affordable?

Are the policy options feasible to implement and sustainable?

Policy making is influenced by a variety of factors





1. Seldom a single type of evidence addresses the questions of policy-makers/decision-makers

2. Often the best available evidence does not adequately address all the questions apply to a certain issue

3. Moving from evidence to decision is complex and often not transparent

EIPM "entails identifying, appraising, and mobilizing the best available evidence for safe and effective health policy and programmes" (WHO, 2022)

Why do we require Evidence-to-Decision frameworks?



Key criteria considered in the EtD frameworks





Challenges in using EtD frameworks

- Require technical expertise and experience
- They might add to the time and resources required in reaching decisions
- It may act as a barrier to the EIPM processes if it is perceived as complex
- Requires access to local data and evidence







The Evidence to Decision (EtD) frameworks and tables ...

Support

systematic decision making for clinical and public health interventions

Support

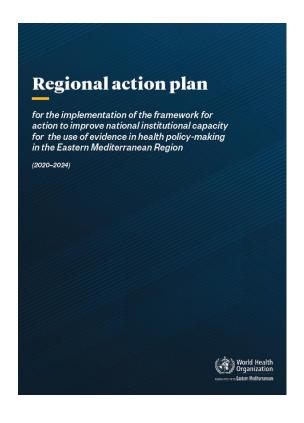
transparent use of evidence in decision making

Help

stakeholders of different backgrounds to have adequate information that justified the decisions



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