

Conducting COVID-19 VE Studies: What Next for Policy-making?

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Framework for improving national institutional capacity for use of evidence in health policy-making

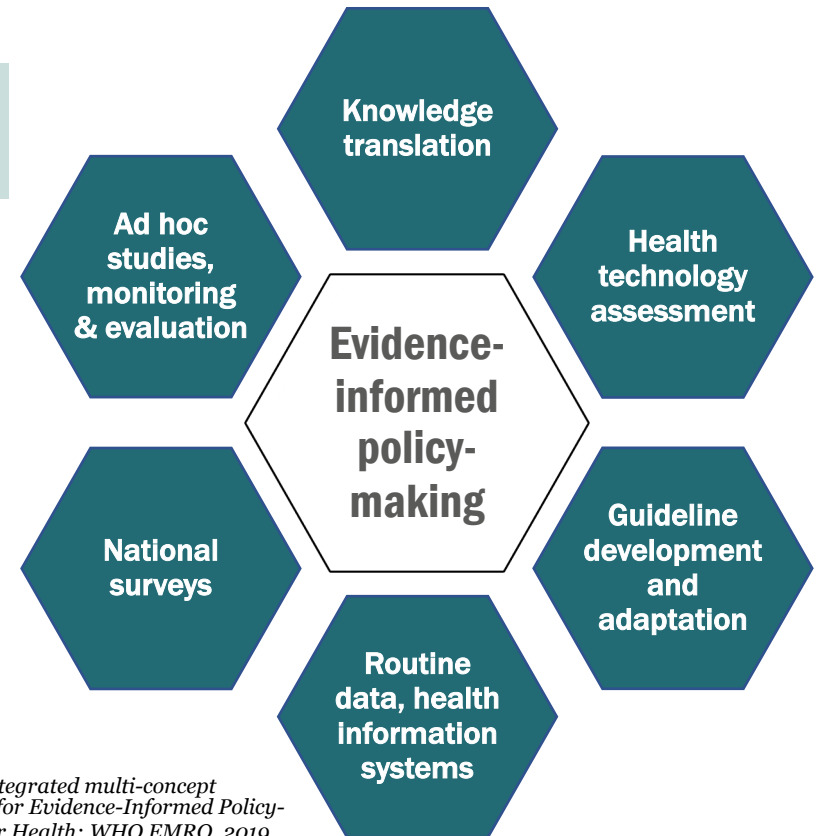
in the Eastern Mediterranean Region (2020–2024)

(EM/RC66/R.5; approved Oct 2019)

EMR countries committed to the *integrated multi-concept approach for the institutionalization of evidence-informed policy-making* for health

Requirement of the integrated multi-concept approach:

1. Internal programmatic coherence within each key program, avoiding duplications
2. Systematic links between the key programs
3. Supported by a wider “ecosystem” for evidence-informed policy-making at national level



Source: *Integrated multi-concept approach for Evidence-Informed Policy-Making for Health*; WHO EMRO, 2019

Two key requests of RC2019 Resolution on evidence-informed policy-making

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1- Developing (an implementation of) a **regional action plan**

Six strategies of the Regional Action Plan

For Member States

1. Enhance **demand & advocacy** for EIPM
2. Enhance decision-making **structures & processes for use of evidence** at national level
3. Enhance **resources** for EIPM

For WHO

4. Enhance WHO RO **capacity & output** in support of EIPM in countries
5. Support countries in **improving national institutional capacity** for EIPM
6. Establish a regional network & support structure

Regional action plan

for the implementation of the framework for action to improve national institutional capacity for the use of evidence in health policy-making in the Eastern Mediterranean Region

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Options for enhancing institutional capacity in evidence-informed policy-making



Integrated multi-concept approach for the institutionalization of EIPM

variations and overlaps between the concepts

EIPM traditions / main sources of evidence for policy makers

- Knowledge translation
- HTA and modelling
- Guideline development & adaptation
- Routine data & HIS
- National surveys
- **Ad hoc studies; M&E**

Requirements or steps

- Depends on what being measured
- Varied practices within different countries and MOH teams
- **Affects implementation of specific policies**
 - Used for “evaluation” statement
- Examples
 - **Vaccine-effectiveness studies**
 - Pharmacovigilance studies
 - Policy related KAP studies
 - Project specific M&E studies
- **Often used in support of existing policies**
- May result in recommending policy changes to policy makers