

TRAINING DESIGN

Title

Training-Workshop on Local Health Policy-Development for TB Control Implementation (Anchored on Evidence-Based Legislation and Participatory Decision-Making)

Course Description

This training is specifically designed for the local health boards at the province/city/municipal level, chairpersons of *sanggunian* (legislative council) committees on health, LGU policy/planning officers and TB core teams. It provides participants with an overview of the local policy environment, process of local policy development, rudiments of policy analysis, fundamental principles of evidence-based legislation, participatory decision-making, action planning, and other information relevant to stewards of health policies.

Target Participants

Members of the province/city/municipal local health boards, chairpersons of the sanggunian committees on health, LGU policy/planning officers and TB core teams

Training Objectives

At the end of this activity, the participants should be able to:

- discuss the interactive framework of local health policy-analysis, policy-making, policy-implementation, and policy-tracking, within the context of evidence-based legislation (EBL), game theory and participatory decision-making (PDM);
- explain the basic concepts and principles of EBL and PDM;
- analyze data on local TB control programs and existing health/TB-related ordinances, resolutions and other policies issued by LGUs;
- identify gaps, overlapping and other issues pertinent to existing local TB policies;
- draft evidence-based legislative measures and local policies on the core objectives of the IMPACT Project; and
- formulate action plans designed to develop, formulate, monitor and evaluate specific policies on TB control implementation.

Contents

Framework of Local Health Policy Development

This topic discusses the different components/actors of the local policy environment, with particular application to local health issues and concerns, and how these components/actors

interact in the policy-making process. It enumerates the various kinds of local policies and how these are formulated and legally authorized.

Inventory and Scanning of LGU Policy Issuances in Select Sites/Role of the DOH Regional Office and Local Health Board

This subject surveys the existing health/TB-related policies that have been issued and/or adopted by the LGUs involved in the TB LINC Project. It also discusses the vital role of the DOH Regional Office and the local health boards in the process of local policy development.

Identification of Policy Gaps/Issues

This workshop requires the participants to be grouped into small working teams and analyze the existing health/TB-related policies enacted by LGUs in the context of the above framework. The groups will then present their respective findings and identified policy gaps/issues that need to be addressed.

Fundamental Principles of Evidence-Based Legislation

This session provides an introduction to the systematic and diligent use of best evidence, data, facts and information in the formulation of legislation and policies. It explains the advantages of the objective and empirical approach of EBL as opposed to traditional local policy-making that relies mainly on opinions, conjectures and purely political considerations.

Various Tools of Evidence-Based Legislation

This topic discusses the different systems and/or methodologies that may be used in the practice of evidence-based legislation: basic action research, problem tree analysis, legislative tracking, and political mapping. It gives a bird's eye-view of each EBL tool that the participants may study on their own more extensively.

Analysis of Data and Issues in Local TB Programs

This workshop requires the participants to form into small groups to analyze relevant data and issues in local TB programs. The respective group outputs will then be presented in a plenary session.

Basic Principles of Participatory Decision-Making

This subject provides the basic principles of participatory decision-making, compares the different models, and expounds on how these may be applied to local policy-making.

Participatory Process of Policy Development

This workshop distributes the participants into functional/LGU groups to apply learned principles of evidence-based legislation, game theory and participatory decision-making in the formulation of specific local health/TB policies. The participants will then present in plenary their respective workshop outputs in the form of action plans.

Methodology

The training activity shall employ a combination of interactive sessions consisting of lecture-discussions, open forums, small group workshops, plenary presentations and role playing.

Program/Schedule of Activities

Day 1

| Time | Activity |
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| 8:00 AM – 9:30 AM | Session 1: Opening Program Singing of the Philippine National Anthem Expectation Setting Workshop Norms |
| 9:30 AM - 11:00 AM | Session 2: Policy Analysis 101 |
| 11:00 AM – 12:00 NN | Session 3: Framework of Local Health Policy Development |
| | Lunch Break |
| 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM | Session 4: Workshop 1: Identification of Policy Gaps/Issues |
| 2:30 PM - 4:00 PM | Session 5: Fundamental Principles of Evidence-Based Legislation |
| 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM | Session 6: Various Tools of Evidence-Based Legislation |

Day 2

| Time | Activity |
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| 8:30 AM - 9:00 AM | Recapitulation of |
| 9:00 AM - 12:00 NN | Session 7: Workshop 2: Analysis of Data and Issues on Local TB Programs |
| | Lunch Break |
| 1:00 PM - 2:30 PM | Session 8: Basic Principles of Participatory Decision-Making |
| | Coffee Break |
| 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM | Session 9: Workshop 3: Participatory Process of Policy Development |
| 5:00 PM - 5:15 PM | End-of-Day Announcements |

Day 3

| Time | Activity |
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| 8:00 AM – 8:30 AM | Recapitulation of Previous Day's Sessions |
| 8:30 AM – 11:00 AM | Session 10: Workshop on the Preparation of Action Plans and Drafting of TB Ordinance |
| 11:00 AM- 12:00 NN | Presentation of Select Action Plans and Draft TB Ordinances |
| 12:00 NN – 12:30 PM | Synthesis and Closing Ceremony |