

# RESEARCH & INNOVATION FOR HEALTH SYSTEM DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK



## Political & Socio-Economic Climate

The system strengthening framework represents a comprehensive approach to building and optimising a national research and innovation system for improved health outcomes. This framework has been developed to assist countries to build solid system **foundations**, strengthen system capacities (**resources**), and produce the best possible results using a variety of **optimisation** strategies. An enabling political environment (**leadership**) is critical for facilitating system strengthening.

## Leadership

National research and innovation can only thrive and be sustainable if there is

- a political and socio-economic climate that is investment friendly and respectful of human rights, and
- effective leadership, including the political commitment to advocacy, awareness and debate

### INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION AND PARTNERSHIPS

#### FOUNDATIONS

##### POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Develop policies, a policy framework or a national programme for research for health

##### PRIORITY SETTING

Establish a priority setting strategy which is regularly updated

##### MANAGEMENT

Establish or strengthen a management structure that will manage national research for health

#### RESOURCES

##### CAPACITY

Develop a medium- to long-term human resource strategy aligned with priorities

Build supportive institutions and infrastructure for research for health

##### FINANCING

Develop a medium- to long-term financing strategy, linked to national priorities

Align and harmonise donors for stable, predictable research financing

Monitor research financing

##### COORDINATION

Develop a mechanism for coordination between stakeholders across sectors involved in research for health

Establish international collaborative arrangements

#### OPTIMISATION

##### OPTIMISING SYSTEM COMPONENTS

- Ethics regulation
- Civil society engagement: organisational demands for research
- Fair research contracting: Equitable agreements regarding intellectual property rights, data ownership, benefit sharing
- Pharmaceutical innovation and technology transfer arrangements
- Research communication: Dissemination of evidence to policy and practice
- Research management information system
- Monitoring & evaluation of outputs, outcomes and impact

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