

Sinergias hacia la salud universal:
Aprovechar las iniciativas emblemáticas de la OPS y la función de los centros colaboradores de la OPS/OMS



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¿Cómo está contribuyendo o cómo puede contribuir en el futuro el CC al logro de las Iniciativas Emblemáticas de la OPS?

Programme Impact Assessment Tool

Departamento de Evidencia e Inteligencia para la Acción en Salud (EIH)



"Estimation of the Epidemiological and Economic Impact of Programs and Interventions Prioritized by PAHO/WHO". We developed an innovative mathematical simulation tool that supports evidence-informed public health decision-making. The tool currently evaluates interventions such as HPV vaccination, HEARTS, postpartum hemorrhage prophylaxis, hepatitis C treatment, oral PrEP for HIV, and Video DOT for tuberculosis in eight countries, with potential for expansion.

"Identification and Promotion of Innovation and Access to Health Technologies Relevant to the Implementation of PAHO's Communicable Diseases Elimination Initiative" The project analyzes needs, barriers, and opportunities to improve innovation, access, and rational use of medicines, diagnostics, and other technologies initially focusing on congenital syphilis and cervical cancer. This work provides countries with roadmaps and strategies to accelerate equitable access and strengthen regional capacities.

IECS co-organized the "Workshop on Horizon Scanning and Innovation for Health Technologies" in Santo Domingo (November 2024) with RedETSA. The workshop brought together selected countries and RedETSA members to exchange experiences on identifying and prioritizing emerging health technologies. Participants developed recommendations on how to use horizon scanning to inform innovation and regional production strategies, with a focus on vaccines.

As part of the XVI RedETSA Meeting, IECS organized the "Workshop Advances and Challenges in Economic Evaluations and Their Application in Coverage Decisions" with the participation of Dr. Michael Drummond (University of York). The workshop explored debates on the use of QALYs, cost-effectiveness and affordability thresholds, and contextual modifiers in fragmented health systems. Through conceptual discussions and a practical exercise, participants analyzed how economic evaluation can inform fairer and more sustainable coverage decisions

Iniciativa de Eliminación 30x30

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Innovación y producción de tecnologías sanitarias a nivel regional



Fondos Rotatorios Regionales
Ayudar a los países a garantizar que todas las personas puedan acceder a los productos de salud que necesiten

Entregables principales (periodo 2022-a la fecha, según el Plan de Trabajo)


- 1. HTA Reports provision to BRISA**
IECS collaborates with the dissemination of HTA through the provision of HTA reports to BRISA database. During the last 3 years 116 reports were added to BRISA.
<https://sites.bvsalud.org/redetsa/brisa/>

4. Capacity Building
From 2022, 38 scholarships to IECS courses in HTA and Economic Evaluations were provided to PAHO to be distributed among country members. Also 30 scholarships were provided to a training programme in Real World Evidence.

3. Budget Impact Analysis Platform
IECS developed a budget impact model and make it accessible to RedETSA members by PAHO via an online platform. This platform will allow researchers to conduct budget impact analysis on the incorporation of new health technologies into health care systems.
Available through this link: <https://www.iecs.org.ar/aip/>

4. HTA&EE Promotion
During the last 3 years IECS participate and coordinate 3 webinars in the RedETSA network. "EQ5D: A Tool for Measuring Health-Related Quality of Life to Support Decision-Making", "Cost-effectiveness THRESHOLDS Optimizing the allocation of health resources in the Americas" and "Applications of Artificial Intelligence in Health Technology Assessment"
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Recomendaciones clave para mejorar la colaboración entre los CCs y la OPS/OMS

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- 1. Enhance communication and visibility**
Establish more agile channels and ensure that the contributions of Collaborating Centres are consistently highlighted and disseminated through WHO/PAHO platforms and reports.

2. Foster horizontal collaboration and thematic networks
Move beyond bilateral relationships by promoting joint projects, shared training, and regional networks, with WHO/PAHO acting as facilitator.

3. Strengthen capacity and sustainability
Support Collaborating Centres in developing technical and institutional capacity, including young researchers, and explore complementary funding mechanisms to secure long-term impact.

Alcance General (Términos de Referencia)

1. At PAHO/WHO's request, the proposed institution will assist PAHO/WHO in the development and consolidation of the Health Technology Assessment Network of the Americas (RedETSA), as and when appropriate.

2. At PAHO/WHO's request, the proposed institution will provide capacity building in Health Technology Assessment (HTA) and Economic Evaluations (EE).

3. At PAHO/WHO's request, the proposed institution will support PAHO/WHO's efforts in the generation of Health Technology Assessment (HTA) and Economic Evaluations (EE) evidence in Latin America and the Caribbean.