Gender and Health Research
Agenda Setting for COVID-19: Initial Results

Collaborative research agenda setting for evidence informed action and accountability
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Webinar outline and housekeeping

1. Utilize chat function to introduce yourself
2. Log questions in the Q&A function via the toolbar at the bottom of your screen
3. Remain muted to avoid background noise
4. Choosing 1 out of 5 breakout rooms*
   - Scroll to the bottom of your screen and click meeting controls → Breakout room
   - Leave room to return to the main session

* Only available for Zoom version 5.3.0 or higher
Thematic Group Presenters, Discussants and Facilitators

Thematic Group 1: Health status & behavior
- FACILITATOR: Claudia Abreu Lopes, UNU-IIGH
- PRESENTER: Gita Mishra, University of Queensland
- DISCUSSANT: Tina D Purnat, European CDC

Thematic Group 2: Therapeutics & diagnostics
- FACILITATOR: Lavanya Vijayasingham, UNU-IIGH
- PRESENTER: Jeanette Wolfe, University of Massachusetts Medical School-Baystate
- DISCUSSANT: Shirin Heidari, World Health Organization

Thematic Group 3: Health service delivery
- FACILITATOR: Pascale Allotey, UNU-IIGH
- PRESENTER: Sedigh Hosseinijebeli, Iran University of Medical Science
- DISCUSSANT: Jeanette Vega, University of Chile
Thematic Group Presenters, Discussants and Facilitators

**Thematic Group 4: Social determinants**

**FACILITATOR**
Michelle Remme
UNU-IIGH

**PRESENTER**
Atria Mier
Gender, diversity, and protection specialist

**DISCUSSANT**
Mark Tomlinson
Stellenbosch University

**Thematic Group 5: Governance**

**FACILITATOR**
Asha George
University of the Western Cape

**PRESENTER**
Mmabatho Motsamai
The Afrolutionist

**DISCUSSANT**
Agnes Soucat
French Development Agency
Background

What?

• A shared and prioritized research agenda and framework for evidence-informed action to address gender and intersectionality in the global health and intersectoral COVID-19 response

Why?

• Provide a systematic and inclusive way to map gender & COVID-19 research needs to support policy and programming-relevant research and accountability
• Facilitate feminist solidarity in understanding, voice, and action from multiple communities of stakeholders

How?

• In consultation with UN agencies under WHO leadership; WHO R&D Blueprint Gender and COVID-19 working group; SVRI research prioritization; etc
• Open calls for participation following feminist and decolonizing global health principles
Overall process

1. Setting up the initiative
   AUGUST 2020

2. Stakeholder engagement
   SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2020

3. Thematic group formation
   NOVEMBER - DECEMBER 2020

4. Research protocol development
   SEPTEMBER - NOVEMBER 2020

5. Facilitating online dialogues
   DECEMBER 2020 - APRIL 2021

6. Research question prioritisation
   MAY - JULY 2021

7. Consensus building
   JULY 2021

8. Consolidation
   JUNE - JULY 2021
Thematic survey responses

N=111 (1 Sept 2021)

Organisation
- University: 38.71%
- NGO: 25.81%
- Multilateral: 9.68%
- Independent: 16.13%
- Government: 9.68%

WHO Region
- WHO_AMRO: 23.81%
- WHO_EURO: 21.90%
- WHO_SEARO: 19.05%
- WHO_AFRO: 21.90%
- WHO_WPRO: 8.57%
- WHO_EMRO: 4.76%

Country Income
- High income: 40.95%
- Upper middle income: 19.05%
- Lower middle income: 33.33%
- Low income: 6.67%

Thematic survey responses

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Scoring criteria

**Impact** combines health benefit & gender equality

**Potential health benefit**
1 very low, 2 low, 3 high, 4 very high

**Improvements gender equality & empowerment of girls & women**
1 Not likely, 2 Somewhat likely, 3 Quite likely, 4 Highly likely

**Urgency**
1 Long, 2 Medium, 3 Short term
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Preliminary Results

1. To participate in the survey, please click on one of the following links:
   - English: https://go.unu.edu/physi
   - French: https://go.unu.edu/sidM
   - Portuguese: coming soon
   - Spanish: coming soon

2. Select one or more themes:
   - Theme 1: Health status and behaviour
   - Theme 2: Therapeutics and diagnostics
   - Theme 3: Health service delivery
   - Theme 4: Social determinants of health
   - Theme 5: Governance

3. Select one or more criteria:
   - Combined impact (1: The lowest impact - 4: The highest impact)
   - Gender equality (1: Not likely - 4: Highly likely)
   - Health benefit (1: Very low - 4: Very high)
   - Urgency (1: Long-term 2: Medium-term 3: Short-term)

4. The bars represent means for each criterion broken down by research question. Please hover over the bars to see the research question. The colours correspond to themes. To order research questions in descending order of means,..

Total respondents: 111

Next steps

1. Thematic prioritization surveys: until September 30th 2021
   • French translation just released, Portuguese & Spanish coming soon

2. Thematic report finalization and consensus building: Early October 2021

3. Overall prioritization: Late October 2021

4. Overall report finalization and consensus building: November 2021

Goals:

• Catalyzing a feminist health sector response with existing COVID-19 research, policy and practice communities: WHO R&D Blueprint, GLOPID-R, African Academies of Science, SVRI, Gender & COVID-19 working group, etc

• Joint resource mobilization to implement research priorities across stakeholders