

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

## Thematic Group 5: Gender and health governance for COVID-19

Understanding relationships across actors influencing power and decision making in health systems

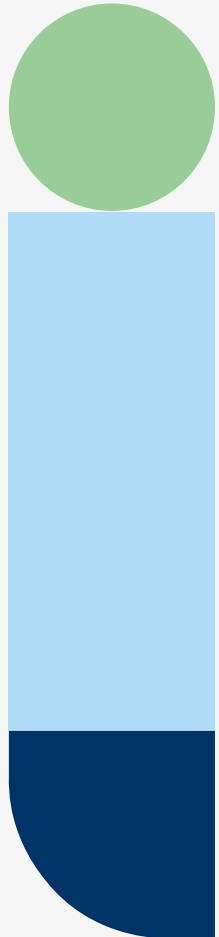
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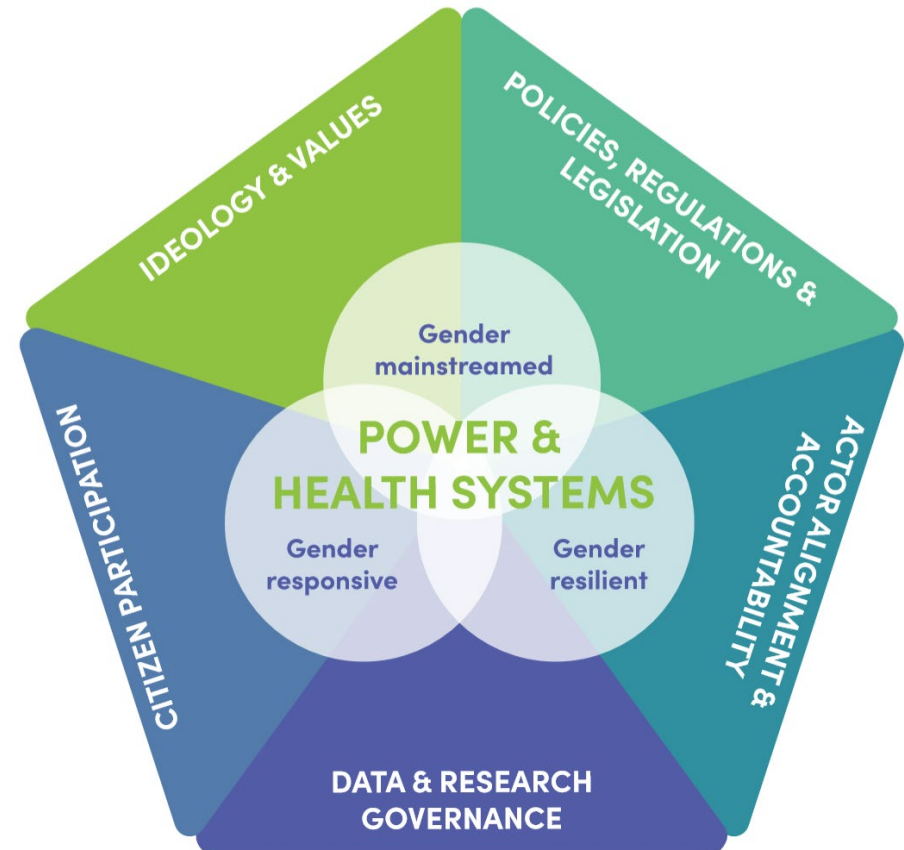
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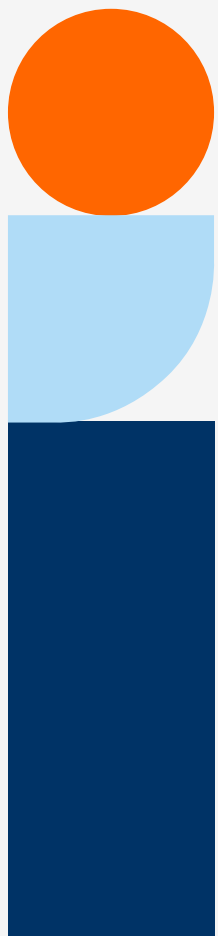
# Thematic group report process & themes



- 22 contributors across genders, regions, organisations
- Drafting between end of January to end of May 2021
- 35 research questions for ranking
- 5 themes
- 38 current TG5 survey responses
- Impact range: 3.3-2.4  
(4 high, 3 high, 2 low, 1 very low)
- Urgency range: 2.5-1.5  
(3 short, 2 medium, 1 long term)



# Current thematic top priorities (1)

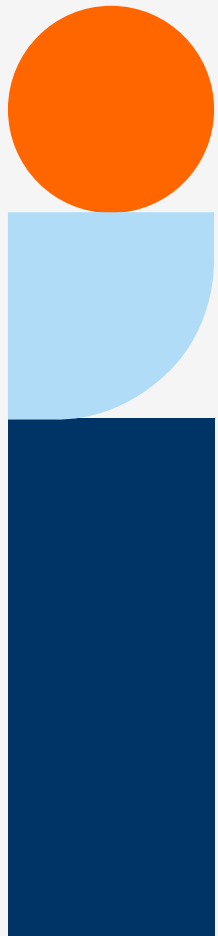


Rank	Research Question	Impact	Urgency
1	What do <b>responsive and resilient health systems that address gender</b> bias and advance gender equality look like?	3.35	2.05
2	Have <b>vaccine deployment strategy plans included ways to consult</b> and engage with gender experts, women and high risk marginalized groups?	3.3	2.15
3	How to best support <b>national statistical systems</b> to produce and use sex and gender data during COVID-19 and future pandemics	3.29	1.9
4	To what extent, and how, <b>is gender considered in the current decision making and learning processes</b> for COVID-19?	3.21	2.48
5	What forms of <b>gendered abuse of power in health systems</b> are made worse during pandemic health system responses and how can they best be addressed?	3.21	2.33

Key: Combined impact of health and gender equality: 1 least - 4 most

Urgency: 1 long term, 2 medium term, 3 short-term

# Current thematic top priorities (2)

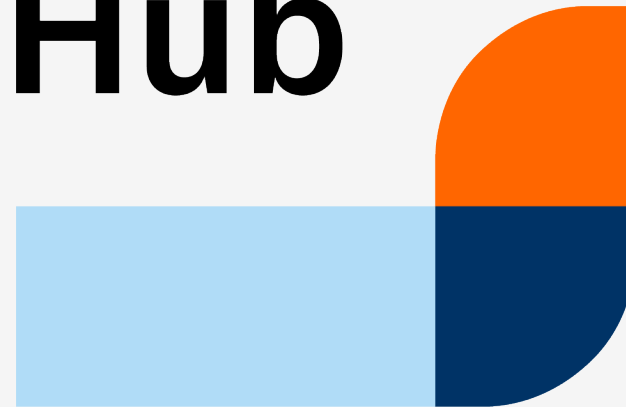


Rank	Research Question	Impact	Urgency
6	What approaches are most effective at <b>successfully integrating different sectors</b> into pandemic planning and response, and to ensuring that gender is centrally considered throughout in this multi-sectoral action?	3.17	2.1
7	What principles and strategies for <b>linking marginalized communities with government health administrators and political decision makers</b> best supports the advancement of gender and COVID-19 issues?	3.17	2.05
8	What are the <b>gender implications of COVID-19 response and recovery plans</b> , the budgets allocated, and the resultant expenditures?	3.14	2.1
9	What is required to <b>strengthen political will</b> for investing in health systems that address gender bias and advance gender equality?	3.14	2.3
10	What <b>capacities are needed to support decision makers</b> , who may not be gender experts themselves, to enable response to COVID-19 and future pandemics threats that address gender bias?	3.14	2.0

Key: 1 long term, 2 medium term, 3 short-term

Impact: 1 least - 4 most

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