

Specialized Training in Translating Evidence in Nutrition into Country-Specific Recommendations

16th -27th November, 2015

Overview

Evidence-informed decision-making is a growing but new approach in nutrition programming in Africa. Many nutrition professionals do not have the skills and competencies in economic evaluation or in applying epidemiological evidence to local contexts, cultures, and its associated opportunities and limitations. This specialized research training will strengthen their expertise by giving those skills ineffectively analyzing and evaluating economic evaluations and subsequently translating the evidence into financially viable and feasible programming options/interventions for multiplying investments.

Target Audience and Requirements

Academics, researchers, and program implementers involved in decision-making in nutrition and health in Africa. Pre-requisites for participants include experience in evidence synthesis techniques, basic nutritional epidemiological skills (including bias, study design etc.), and a record of publications.



Who are the tutors?

This course is organized by the Ethiopian Public Health Institute, as part of EVIDENT, a consortium promoting evidence-informed decision-making in health and nutrition. The course is put together by experts in knowledge management and translation:

- Fiona Campbell (School of Health and Related Research (ScHARR), University of Sheffield, UK)
- Roos Verstraeten (Institute of Tropical Medicine, Belgium)
- Lungiswa Nkonki (Stellenbosch University, South Africa)

Course Fees:

10, 000 Birr (excluding accommodation and living costs). Details of the course fees will be sent to all successful applicants.

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Course Outcomes

By the end of the 10-day training participants should be able to:

- Identify the steps involved in translating evidence into country-specific policies;
- To find and appraise evidence;
- Explain and utilize the concepts, terminology and principles of evidence contextualization;
- Understand the importance and application of an economic evaluation in policy decisions on nutrition and health interventions;
- critically appraise economic evaluations and their quality;
- Utilize analytical tools to evaluate economic evaluations in nutrition and health;
- Synthesize and evaluate both epidemiological and local evidence for country-specific recommendations;

How to apply:

Interested candidates are invited to send in their curriculum vitae and a letter of motivation to **Tesfaye Hailu and Roos Verstraeten** (see below) by the 7th of September 2015. Notifications of acceptance will be communicated across by 20th of September 2015.



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