D2P Unit 1: Problem & Policy Analysis

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Data to Policy (D2P)

GGP: Lebanon D2P Training

D2P Unit 1: Lebanon Training Schedule

5 Days to a Complete Problem Statement & Policy Options

1,450 minutes of Live Content (approx. 24 hours) and approx 16 hours of online (LMS) work

Training Overview – Lebanon Schedule

Time & Platform

9:00 AM – 2:30 PM daily (Lebanon time)

Hybrid Workshops? + dedicated mentor time

Key Focus

Produce foundational components:

Problem Statement
Initial set of Policy Options

Core Method: Facilitated session → intensive Group Work with Mentor

The D2P Course Structure

Final Output

Each team will produce a **Policy Brief** and present it to stakeholders.
Two policy briefs from Lebanon D2P.

Three Units of the Program:

1. **Unit 1: Problem & Policy Analysis (40 hrs)**
2. Unit 2: Economic Evaluation of Policy (40 hrs)
3. Mentorship (8-10 weeks)
4. Unit 3: Policy Advocacy and Communications (40 hrs)

Activities:

Facilitated Modules

Self-Paced Online Modules

Mentored Group Work

Group Presentation

Topics and Groups

Two groups/topics:

* PB1: Strengthening Health Technology Assessment (HTA) to Address Rising Oncology Costs in Lebanon
* PB2: Priority-Setting Mechanism for Health Technology Assessment (HTA) in Lebanon

Next steps

* Divide participants (mentees- 4? each group) and mentors (2? each group) into two groups
* Pair mentors and mentees
* Assign one primary mentor for each group, who will be primarily responsible for supporting that group.

Days 1 & 2: Defining the Problem

Main Focus: Problem Framing and Analysis

Key Activities

    Day 1: Review of Policy Briefs + Literature Search techniques

    Day 2: Deep dive into Root Cause Analysis + Gender Analysis

Completion of two activities:

    Literature review and data search

    Problem statement

Day 3: Policy Options and Analysis

Main Focus: Developing Solutions

Key Activities

Review of Epi Measures (using data effectively in the brief)

Presentation & feedback on Group Problem Statement

Introduction to Identifying Policy Options + Policy analysis table

Day 4: Stakeholders and Finalizing Analysis

Main Focus: Feasibility Assessment

Key Activities

- Completion of the **Policy analysis table**
- Review of Stakeholder Identification & Mapping
- Completion of the **Stakeholder analysis**
- "Buffer Zone" – finishing all remaining tasks

Day 5: Final Presentation & Next Steps

Main Focus: Consolidation and Planning

Key Activities

Dedicated Group work + mentor time → prepare final presentation

Group Presentations: Problem Statement, Root Causes, Policy Options

Closing & Next Steps

All group activities inlcuding presentations, will be topic-specific.

Our Goal (After Unit 3): The Policy Brief

Purpose: Each team will develop a concise, evidence-based recommendation for a specific policy action

Key Deliverables

Policy Brief (using `Policy Brief Template.docx`)

Group Presentation (using D2P slide template)

Activity 1: Data and Literature Search

Tools: `Data and literature search.docx`

Key Tasks – Evidence

Systematically record evidence from ≥ 10 articles/sources

Activity 2: Problem Definition

Tool: `Problem statement.docx`

Key Tasks

    Define the Problem – clearly articulate the public health issue

    Quantify the Problem (Who, Where, When)

    Identify Root Causes

PB1: Strengthening Health Technology Assessment to Address Rising Oncology Costs in Lebanon

Health Problem & Burden:
High-cost oncology medicines consume a growing share of Lebanon's limited health budget, often without clear evidence of cost-effectiveness. This threatens sustainability and equal access.

Data (Sources to Cite):
Oncology medicines: X% of spending, Y% of prescriptions; Z% increase 20XX–20XX.

Cause(s):
Absence of institutionalized HTA unit $\rightarrow$ fragmented evaluations, inconsistent costs.

Activity 3: Policy Option Evaluation

Tool: `Policy analysis table.docx`

Key Tasks

Identify feasible policy options (reactive vs proactive, etc.)

Evaluate against:

Public Health Impact
Operational Feasibility
Political Feasibility
Budgetary Impact
Economic Impact

Tools: `Stakeholder analysis table.docx`

Key Tasks – Stakeholders

   Identify key players (Gov, Civil Society, Private Sector…)

   Analyze interest, resources, position

The Problem Statement must:

- Clearly identify the policy issue + main modifiable driver (**root cause**)
- Describe local situation & quantify burden
- Present visual summaries of data (graphs, figures)
- Specific and feasible **policy options** (up to three, including status quo)

Next: Unit 2 – Economic Evaluation of Policy in June

Thank you!

Questions?