

HTA CAPACITY BUILDING IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES- EXPLORATION OF DIFFERENT MODELS.

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INTRODUCTION

Joseph L. Mathew (India) introduced the session stating that different methods are used around the world for HTA capacity and capability building. Health-care institutions and organizations are interested in determining the optimal approach for HTA capacity building that can yield the best results in the local context. This panel session explores four different approaches.

The goal of the session was to sensitize the HTA community as well as health-care systems interested in initiating HTA about different models of HTA capacity and capability building, using specific initiatives in health-care systems in different countries.

CAPACITY BUILDING IN NEW HTA SYSTEMS

Tantivess Sripen (Thailand) highlighted:

- HTA capacity building model used in Thailand (HiTAP).

- Strengths/limitations of the model.
- Learning messages for other health-care systems

ONLINE TEACHING/LEARNING

Andres Pichon Riviere (Argentina) highlighted:

- 3 distance-learning programmes (HTA and Economic Evaluations),
- Lessons learned after three years' experience (350 participants; 18 countries),
- Strengths/limitations of the model
- Learning messages for other health-care systems

LEARNING-BY-DOING APPROACH

Lazar Mathew Thalakkotur (India) highlighted:

- Capacity building programme in India (SIGNET Programme)
- Strengths/limitations of the model
- Learning messages for other health-care systems

HTAi SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME FOR LOW AND MIDDLE INCOME COUNTRIES

Tammy Clifford (Canada) highlighted:

- HTAi Scholarship Programme as a tool for capacity building in developing countries
- Progress till date.
- Strengths/limitations of the model

DISCUSSION

HTA capacity building in developing countries- Exploration of different models.

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Joseph L. Mathew led and moderated a spirited discussion amongst all participants and panellists on various issues related to HTA capacity building in resource-limited settings.