

Criteria for GARD demonstration projects for chronic respiratory diseases (CRDs)

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| 1. Title of the project | Title of the proposal is succinct (max 640 characters) |
| 2. Objective(s) or purpose | The project objective(s) or purpose are clearly stated |
| 3. Ethical approval | The project has received ethical approval by a recognized authority if it is research |
| 4. Institutional support | The project is supported by a recognized institution (e.g. government, university) or other institution and not run as an individual |
| 5. Project leader | The principal investigator/project leader is linked to an institution |
| 6. Scope for the project | Needs to cover asthma, COPD or any other CRD as per GARD list of CRDs with the potential to be implemented in low or middle income settings and integrated in PHC |
| 7. Coverage | Catchment population (country, region, age groups, gender etc) needs to be clearly defined and ideally with an estimated sample size (if it is a research project) |
| a) Frail and vulnerable populations | Gender, frail or at risk populations such as old age need to be considered and specified |
| b) At-risk-populations | Targeted at-risk-populations need to be specified |
| 8. Duration of the project | Minimum of 1 year with a maximum of 3 to 5 years |
| 9. Which problem is being addressed? | The addressed problem needs to be clearly stated (with rationale and potential anticipated impacts/outcomes) |
| 10. Which possible interventions are tested? | Interventions need to be clearly specified |
| a) Expected outcomes and indicators | The project has a set of success and outcome indicators |
| b) Support of the WHO NCD action plan | The project should indicate how the WHO NCD action plan is being supported |
| 11. Data collection and analysis | The project should include a plan on how data will be collected, stored and analysed |
| 12. End of project dissemination | |
| a) Potential to change policies? | Which are the expected changes for CRD policy |
| b) Regular project reports published? | Regular project progress reports are available |
| c) Results published in peer review journals? | At least one publication about the project is available |
| d) Reporting through a website? | The project description, the progress reports should be available on a website and linked to the GARD dedicated website |
| 13. Budget and personnel | The project has a staffing plan and a detailed budget |
| 14. Financial support | The project has current and potential sources of financial support |