The role of NPHIs in monitoring health inequalities and devising strategies for assessing and evaluating progress.

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To further reorient the health sector towards reducing health inequities:
- Build, strengthen and maintain public health capacity, …on social determinants of health

To strengthen global governance and collaboration:
- Support national governments, international organizations, nongovernmental entities and others to tackle social determinants of health

To monitor progress and increase accountability:
- Establish, strengthen and maintain monitoring systems that provide disaggregated data to assess inequities in health outcomes as well as in allocations and use of resources
- To promote research on the relationships between social determinants and health equity outcomes with a particular focus on evaluation of effectiveness of interventions
FOUR MAJOR METHODOLOGICAL CHALLENGES


2. “Paradigmatic Territories”: Socially determined spaces (slums and urban peripheries; extractive territories; agribusiness transformations; etc.); migrations (internal & international) Both: Exposure & Access.

3. Defining Health indicators that clearly reflect the social determination on a socially determined territory

4. Obtaining information allowing for the monitoring and control of Health inequities as a result of social inequalities.
“The Role of National Institutes of (Public) Health in Monitoring and Research of Social Determinants of Health – SDH”. Conclusions

A. Strengthening National Health Observatories focusing on SDH and Health Inequities

- The NIPH must get actively involved in systematic monitoring and evaluation of SDH.
- Identify nationally available sources of data and information on SDH-HI
- Give priority to the development of programs and projects that overcome the traditional biomedical vision, by evaluating and researching social, economic and environmental associated variables.
B. Strengthening field research on SDH and Health Inequities

- Mapping of all actors involved in SDH research at the NIPHS (Synergies)
- Validate a model of SDH using as a major analytic category the relation between social classes and territory.
- Basic protocol to validate “paradigmatic health territories”, at the local levels.
- Virtual space to share research experiences, protocols, joint publications, etc.
- Multicentric project, integrating local experiences on SDH research.
- Means to Policy brief decision makers at their national and sub-national levels.
C. STRATEGIC ALTERNATIVES TO IMPLEMENT THE SEMINAR’S RECOMMENDATIONS

- **Strategic Planning:** NHO with relative autonomy / Independence; alliances with the Academy (Universities); formal links of the NIPHs with the national institutes of Statistics

- **Database and Dissemination:** obtain updated information on all activities, research projects and experiences on SDH / HI at the NIPHs, including information on existing portals and proposing links among them.

- **Cooperation Strategies**

- **Development of Human Resources**
CURRENT ASSETS (NIPH)

- CEPI-DSS / National School of Public Health / Fiocruz: Social Determinants of Health – Portal and Observatory on Health Inequalities. [http://dssbr.org/site/](http://dssbr.org/site/)

- INS – Colombia: National Health Observatory [www.ins.gov.co](http://www.ins.gov.co)

- INS – Moçambique: National Health Observatory (organizing)

- Fiocruz / ANLIS / INMET (Argentina): CODEFRO (Border Commission) Project on SDH - HI (Agribusiness transformations)

- Fiocruz (Itaborai Palace): Field Research: Territory and Health Indicators in a Poor Community of Petropolis

- Moçambique: DHSS in Chokwé

- Moçambique: DHSS in Polana Caniço / Maputo.
TWO SIMPLE QUESTIONS (EXAMPLES)

- How many new “Ebolas” might be avoided if the relations between “Natural Nidae of Transmissible Diseases” (Pavlovski, 1913) and social intervention on them are known? (Main economic sustainability; “development” processes in the area; access to public services – schooling, health, water, transportation; etc. – gender position; etc.)

- What is the weight of individual behaviors vis à vis economical and cultural (market) inductions in NCD including violence and injuries?
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