

MEETING TOMORROW'S HEALTH CHALLENGES THROUGH WORKFORCE EXCELLENCE IN SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Questions are grouped by emerging themes. Under each theme, questions are listed in terms of relevance. The research-ability is indicated by ***=high, **=medium, and *=low.

1. SUPPLY CHAIN STRATEGY

- How is supply chain strategy developed and implemented in health supply chains? (***)
- How is the structure of the health supply chain impacting behaviours and performance? (***)
- What level of sophistication of supply chain strategy is needed in health supply chains? (**)

2. BENCHMARKING AND TRAINING

- How can the learning from health supply chain best practices be encapsulated into training? (***)
- Which cadre should be professionalised for supply chain issues? (health workers or others?) (**)
- How can the impact of the professionalization on supply chain performance be measured? (**)
- How can professionalization facilitate the transition to a systemic strategic supply chain approach? (**)
- What are the lessons learnt from commercial supply chains that can be replicated in health supply chains? (***)

3. RETURN ON INVESTMENT IN CAPACITY BUILDING

- What is the long term impact of investments in capacity building at tactical and strategic level?
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 - What is the return on investment at different levels of the supply chain? (**)
 - Has the investment at strategic level had an impact at tactical level in terms of reducing the skills gap? (*)
 - How can you measure leadership at strategic level in health supply chains? (**)