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Country-report epidemiological reviews

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Purpose of the epidemiological reviews

1. To establish **what evidence exists** in the seven countries regarding social inequalities in health, based on WHO (national level) and INDEPTH-SAGE (local level) data.
2. To identify **the core chronic health and Non-Communicable Disease issues** among adults (>18) in each country that we will want to address using a Social Determinants of Health approach.
3. To identify **key demographic groups** who may face particular problems of inequity.
4. To provide a discussion point for the **stakeholder interviews**

Note

- This is intended to provide a broad-brush background picture of the epidemiological situation
- We don't need or want to be distracted by the fine detail
- These reviews will therefore be quite short (5-7 pages, maximum)

Stakeholder interviews

- Purpose is partly to validate our findings (from the curricular and literature reviews)
- Also to inform them about the SDH epidemiological situation in the country

- SAGE data very good to identify deep inequalities even within small regions
- Thus the epidemiological reviews can be a powerful starting point for stakeholder discussions

Data sources

Data to be collected from the same sources:

- WHO data for the national section report
- SAGE and other DSS data for local section report



Similar variables for each country, to permit comparison



BUT – we recognise that methodological and other issues make some aspects of the data NOT comparable (especially between African and Asian data).



Therefore we are cautious with any cross-country or cross-regional comparisons!

Who is going to do this review?

- The work for this will be conducted mainly by the Umeå team
- ISS tasks to include:
 - Look at what may have been published by your own HDSS centre
 - Summarize methods and findings
 - Keep the summaries as references for yourself
 - Send the summaries and original papers (soft copies), by March 9, to:
 - Your Regional Coordinator
 - Raman Preet (raman.preet@epiph.umu.se)
 - John Kinsman (john.kinsman@epiph.umu.se)

ISS epidemiological familiarisation exercise

Questions on two datasets:

1. National level data – general demographic and health issues, especially on NCDs
2. SAGE-INDEPTH data – looking specifically at subjectively-rated quality of life and health of the elderly

Split into an Africa group and an Asia group, and look through the questions relating to the two tables...