

Northern Mindanao Consortium for
Health Research and Development
NorMinCoHRD

Areas for Improvement

1. The work of the research committees is not agenda driven
 - No, the Criterion for funding research in the NorMinCoHRD is the Regional R&D agenda or priority sectors

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3. Absence of unifying theme in the work of the different sub-committees
 - No, NorMinCoHRD has a Vision and Mission and Regional R&D Agenda

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4. Absence of strategic direction; too short planning horizon
 - No, NorMinCoHRD has strategic direction (presence of Three-Year Development Plan)

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6. Ineffective and highly inefficient management structure

- No, the Consortium members are a group of committed and dedicated individuals and/or institutions

Challenges

1. Can the institutions and regions in Mindanao work together to address priority health problems and issues in a more comprehensive and strategic manner?

Yes.

Challenges

2. Will the regions and institutions in Mindanao challenge the monopoly of Metro Manila over the national research funds?

Yes.

Challenges

2. Can the PNHRS reorganize itself to be more responsive to the needs of the regions?
 - Consortium Director to be represented at the PNHRS

Challenges

2. Can the existing program of the assistance to the regions be restructured to allow for more equity and more support to those who need it more?
 - Project Proposals requiring funding of more than P100,000 are being processed at the national level.
 - Regional priority proposals are not funded at the regional level

Does the proposed Mindanao Health R&D strategy respond to the health challenges of the island of Mindanao?

- What are the enabling factors you feel will move the proposal to fruition? Collaboration & Commitment
- What are the impeding factors? Time & logistics
- Who are the other stakeholders who should be involved? NGOs, LGUs, Pos, private sector
- What regional or Mindanao resources can be tapped to support the research program? Other Regional Consortiums in the region and Mindanao

What would you like to happen after this forum?

- More Budget
- Capability building
 - Seminar/workshops (write shop)
- Networking among Mindanao Health R&D consortiums for common researchable areas
- Mindanao-wide database of experts and completed and on-going researches (online) and other relevant data
- Policy for two or three Mindanao-wide research to be undertaken by the different regional consortia
- Policy for the utilization of research results (should be included in the structure)