

Resource Sharing Mechanisms in Sustaining Operations of the Regional Health and Development Consortia

The EVHRDC Experience...



# Situationer:

- EVHRDC is a consortium of 30 institutions in Region 8 as follows:
  - National Government Agencies

(Regional Offices) = 7

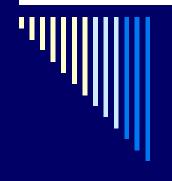
- Department of Health (DOH-CHD EV) and NNC8
- Department of Science and Technology (DOST8)
- National Economic Development Authority (NEDA8)
- Commission on Higher Education (CHED8)
- Public Information Agency (PIA)
- Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG8)
- Department of Education (DepEd8)



#### > Higher Education Institutions (HEI's) =15

#### State Colleges/Universities (SCU)

- UPV-Tacloban Campus
- UP Manila-School for Health Sciences (Palo, Leyte)
- Eastern Visayas State University
- Visayas State University
- Naval State University
- Southern Leyte State University
- Samar State University
- Eastern Samar State University
- University of Eastern Philippines
- Palompon Institute of Technology
- Leyte Normal University



#### Private HEI's

- RTR Medical Foundation (RTRMF)
- St. Scholastica's College for Health Sciences
- St. Joseph College
- Holy Infant College

#### Hospitals =2

- Eastern Visayas Regional Medical Center (Public)
- Divine Word Hospital (Private)

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#### Professional Organizations = 5

- Leyte- Samar Pharmaceutical Association
- Philippine Association of Medical Technologist
  EV Chapter
- Philippine Nurses Association-Northern Leyte Chapter
- Leyte Medical Society (LMS)
- Philippine League of Government & Private Midwife Incorporated

- 😊 UEP, Catarman N. Samar
- SESSU, Borongan City, E. Samar
- SSU, Catbalogan City, Samar
- SNSU, Naval, Biliran
- SVSU, Baybay City, Leyte
- 😊 SLSU, Sogod, So. Leyte 🚽
- SJC, Maasin City, So. Leyte

EVHRDC Member Agencies (Outside Metro Tacloban)

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#### EVHRDC Member Agencies (Metro Tacloban)

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# The members have divergent mandates, thrusts and priorities; e.g.

- National Government agencies on public service delivery, information dissemination, technology transfer, policy recommendations.
- Academic institutions on instruction, research and development, extension services.
- Hospitals on medical service delivery, medical training and research.
- Professional organizations on enhancement of professional practices, community services.
- The EVHRDC membership spans the entire geography of Eastern Visayas.

Health is a universal concern and responding to health issues/needs requires participation of all sectors.

- There is a need for the convergence of various institutions in different sectors to harmonize and align programs/projects, activities, efforts of respective agencies with priority health needs of the region.
- Institutions in the region have respective fields of expertise, varied capacities, different customers or sectors served.

There are limitations in the resources of institutions; in terms of manpower complement, expertise, finances, time, facilities/infrastructure (equipment, laboratories, space, etc.).

Resource sharing is a strategic approach to overcome limitations in resources.

At EVHRDC, resource sharing is a very important mechanism that enables the consortium to pursue its activities and sustain operations.



Financial - counter part funding support provided by the members in the implementation of projects/activities (cost-share). Traveling expenses of agency representatives participating in EVHRDC activities is shouldered by respective institutions. Manpower - staff support are provided by members in EVHRDC activities that requires augmentation such as during trainings, research fora, general assemblies, planning sessions, etc.

- Time This is the most precious of all resources and the most shared resource in the consortium.
- Facilities equipments, use of laboratory and library, space/venue for meetings/ seminars, and vehicles.

Expertise - deployment of technical experts from one institution to another, research consultations, technical assistance in project implementation.

✤ Materials - office/laboratory supplies.

 Information - access to information, research methods, techniques, procedures.

### MECHANISMS FOR RESOURCE SHARING IN EVHRDC

Ascertain management commitment.

In the EVHRDC Memorandum of Agreement, it is indicated as one of the responsibilities of members to share resources. This provides the "legal" basis for institutions to cost-share and/or share resources to EVHRDC or to other members of the consortium. Also, this assures continued support in case of turn-over in management. Encourage involvement of all member institutions in the operations/ activities of the consortium – Integration of EVHRDC activities, priorities in institutional programs.

Every member institution is assigned to technical working groups, clusters. These groups/clusters operate as units in the EVHRDC structure. Their membership considers their organizational mandates, thrusts and expertise. Thus, facilitate integration of EVHRDC programs/projects in the institutional programs; which eases access to resources of the organization.



 Identification of institutional counterparts, resource sharing in the operational plan of the consortium.

 Sponsorship or co-sponsorship of member institution(s) in the implementation of training programs, seminars, fora.

 Rotational hosting in EVHRDC meetings and activities.

## How do we encourage resource sharing?...

 Due recognition given to contributions of individuals and institutions.

 Flexibility in the implementation and administration of activities.

Institutions have respective protocols and systems, adjustments may be adopted to follow requirements of the sponsoring institution

#### Respect for intellectual property rights

This will encourage sharing of information. The EVHRDC conducted orientation seminar on IPR to members and promoted the establishment of IP policies in R&D institutions.

Bringing the EVHRDC activities to institution (member) level – providing assistance in the institutional development.

Example:

- In-house or cluster review of research proposals
- Establishment of Institutional Ethics Review Boards
- Trainings to researchers in an institution

 Creating a mutually beneficial relationship between consortium and individual institution.

Being diverse is not an obstacle to pursue our goals and dreams, however we need to treat it as a challenge, a challenge to believe that we can do things despite limitations in resources; a challenge to believe that indeed sharing resources in whatever forms can help pursue our goals and dreams. Let us share, the EVHRDC way!

