



# Evidence-based, standardized and high-quality knowledge products on management of medical oxygen and respiratory care devices for South and South-East Asia

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# Description/ Background

## The problem

- An unprecedented demand for medical oxygen during 2021 due to the surge in COVID-19 cases
- Gap in capacity to manage the newly installed respiratory care devices in the health facilities
- Limited knowledge and lack of relevant skills to operate and manage the respiratory care devices

## The solution

High-quality and reliable knowledge products to strengthen the capacities of biomedical engineers and other healthcare service providers

## Developed by

Member States in WHO's South-East Asia region, in collaboration with PATH

# Goals of the project and end-users

## Goal

Strengthened biomedical capacity for oxygen and respiratory care devices

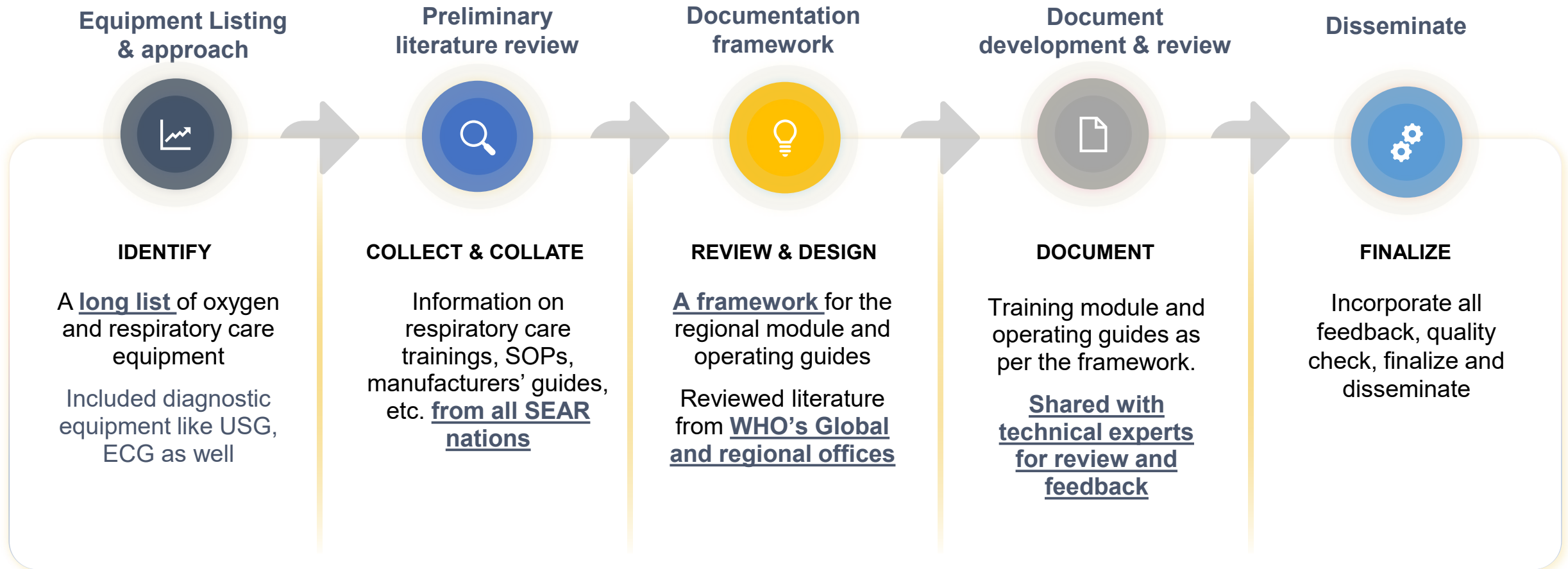
## Beneficiaries

Regional goods for use by –

- Health facility managers,
- Biomedical engineers and
- Technicians in the area of biomedical engineering

The knowledge products will also be available for use as ready reference

# Approach



# Areas covered

- Oxygen Production Sources (PSA, OCs)
  - Oxygen Storage Systems (Cylinders, LMO Tanks)
  - Oxygen Distribution Systems (MGPS, Manifold)
  - Oxygen Delivery to Patients (Ventilators)
  - Oxygen Delivery to Patients (Devices)
- Oxygen Delivery to Patients (Consumables)
  - Patient Monitoring Systems
  - Patient Diagnostic Systems
  - Fire Safety Measures
  - Biomedical Waste Management



To supplement the medical oxygen infrastructure developed by the Member States in WHO's South East Asia region during the COVID-19 pandemic, two high quality and reliable knowledge products on respiratory care devices were developed to strengthen the capacity of biomedical engineers.

## OXYGEN/ RESPIRATORY EQUIPMENT

GENERIC TRAINING MODULES FOR BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERS

## Training Modules on Oxygen and Respiratory Care Equipment and Devices

### Regional Manual

with Operating Guides on Respiratory Care Equipment and Devices

## Regional Manual with Operating Guides on Oxygen and Respiratory Care Equipment and Devices.

Both documents are expected to be included in the National Influenza Pandemic Preparedness Plans (NIPPPs) as annexes for preparedness and response during epidemics and pandemics



1

To provide foundational information on key biomedical aspects of maintaining respiratory care equipment and respiratory care ecology

2

The guidance document will give the users an idea of the level of expertise required to install the devices, the types of maintenance required, and the frequency of interventions needed

3

These guides will help the biomedical engineers perform routine tasks to improve efficiency and compliance with quality standards, as well as standardize processes

4

Each operating guideline provides technical product specifications respiratory care equipment and devices that may prove useful in the selection, procurement, use, maintenance of these products

5

This document is meant to serve as a complementary knowledge product series to other respiratory care and oxygen management documents



## Training Modules

1

Provides a course plan spanning over 04 days, with multiple session per day

2

Includes information on medical oxygen systems, from its source, to storage, to its delivery to patients.

3

Considering the evolving nature of respiratory infections, the modules also cover diagnostic devices, such as ultrasound machine, electrocardiogram (ECG) and X-ray machines

4

Employ participatory learning techniques, led by both the trainers and trainees. Course design provides opportunities for individual participation in exercises and engage with the facilitator

5

This document can be customized and translated as per availability of respiratory care equipment and devices in the country and translated into local language

# Unique Value Proposition



## **Made by biomedical engineers, for biomedical engineers**

Developed specifically for the Biomedical Engineers and technicians. Field tested and vetted by technical experts.



## **Covers oxygen devices from source to storage to delivery**

Covers medical oxygen systems from its source to storage to its delivery to patients, including diagnostic devices, such as ultrasound machine, ECG and X-ray machines



## **Evidence based TLMs, custom built to country's requirements**

Standardized, evidence-based, and high-quality training and learning materials, which can be custom built as per the availability of country's respiratory care equipment and devices.



## **Specifications to guide a wide range of administrative functions**

Each operating guideline provides technical product specifications for respiratory care equipment and devices that may prove useful in the selection, procurement, use and maintenance of these products



# Thank you!



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