

Principles of Country ownership:

TB TIME modelling

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Definition

- Country ownership is one concept that has been difficult to define. Really, there is no universal definition of this concept
- There are several synonyms
 - Country-led
 - Country-guided
 - Country own
- Underlying nuance is that development support to country should lead to long-term sustainability

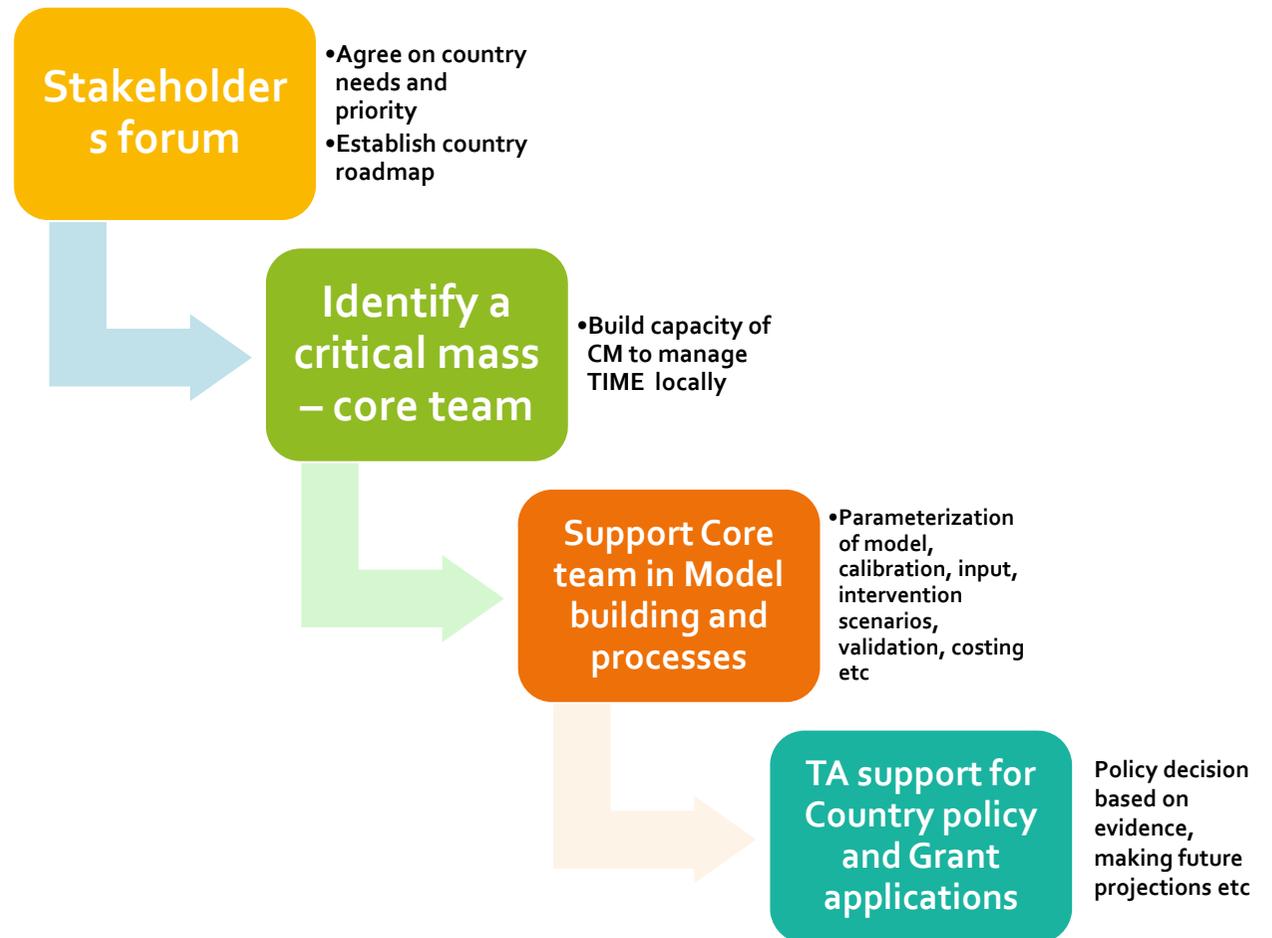
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- Dr. Ghebreyesus said it means a commitment to planning, resources, implementation, and Monitoring and Evaluation.
- He said we must “put the country in the driver’s seat” but clarified further by saying that the driver must decide where to go.
 - *Ministry of Health of Ethiopia Dr.Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus*

Practices

- 9.1. Identify and agree on involvement of country stakeholders at the start of the process.
 - Involving the NTP, and other representatives of other organisations involved in the local TB response.
 - Intensify advocacy to higher level decision making including donors
- 9.2. Assess and address the desire for in-country capacity building.
 - Build local capacity to implement and use modelling outputs
 - To enable key partners in the NTP to critically examine model assumptions and results,
 - To building the ability to operate the model independently from external technical assistance.
- 9.3. Enable country input at each stage of the modelling process.
 - This includes parameterization/calibration (i.e. are key epidemiological and cost targets reflected satisfactorily), decisions on intervention scenarios, and review of modelling results.
- 9.4. If modelling is to be undertaken by an external technical assistance provider, the choice of provider should depend on their ability to meet the country decision-makers needs.

Practical steps in country application



Implication for practice

1. How can Countries be supported to be at the driver's seat?
2. What are the capacity gaps that must be addressed?
3. Who determines national estimates or projections? – Country-owned modelling or partners/donors?
4. Mainstreaming modelling processes into country policy - how best?
5. How to secure funding for sustained country ownership?

Open house discussion

