Target Description for HTV for 2024

Overall Target Description

Following the reorganization of the central health administration, the cluster for the assessment of measures (HTV) is intended to constitute a sustainable cluster with competent and motivated employees from 2024. Our overarching ambition is for HTV to support the Norwegian Institute of Public Health's (FHI) societal mission by contributing to covering existing and future knowledge needs within HTV's defined areas of responsibility. With our unique and diverse expertise, we will focus on specific subject areas and methodologies in which we aim to be leading.

The purpose of this document is to provide a target description for HTV as a basis for further strategic work in 2024 and as a foundation for prioritizing tasks and deliveries in 2024. We will prioritize tasks that support FHI's overall strategy and address input from cluster employees, existing agreements, external funding, legal frameworks, and political/priority directives.

In 2024, HTV will prioritize the following areas (not in any particular order):

- Further develop knowledge support systems for municipal health and care services (decision support).
- Conduct method assessments on behalf of the Ordering Forum for New Methods for procedures, organizational measures, and digital solutions in specialist health services.
- Conduct knowledge summaries, method assessments (various types), and provide method support on behalf of the Directorate of Health (HDir).
- Conduct knowledge summaries, investigations, and other types of research on behalf of the Norwegian Directorate for Children, Youth, and Family Affairs (Bufdir).
- Assist other stakeholders (e.g., Ministry of Health and Care Services, the Norwegian Board of Health Supervision, Regional Health Authorities, Shared Decision-Making Center at UNN, municipalities, other areas in FHI) with method assessments, knowledge summaries, and other types of research and investigations needed to develop and carry out their tasks.
- Facilitate applied quantitative and qualitative primary research, including registry-based studies, as a supplement to knowledge summaries or as standalone projects.
- Establish machine learning and digital solutions as a standard approach to contribute to better and faster knowledge delivery.
- Continue and develop our services related to dissemination, teaching, and competence development, primarily contributing to evidence-based practice in health, care, and welfare services. This may include implementation, research methodology, the path from knowledge to decision-making, etc. We will use

- various technologies in this work, such as Massive Open Online Courses, videos, podcasts, e-learning.
- Be a visible actor within and outside FHI, through media, podcasts, webinars, debates, networks, professional forums, project presentations, scientific articles, etc.
- Be a cluster in continuous professional and organizational development. The goal is to ensure capacity and expertise to implement the measures prioritized by the cluster through the restructuring project, along with timely deliveries of high-quality assignments assigned to the cluster.

The target description was developed as follows: This document was prepared in October 2023 by Rigmor, Heid, and Jan Marcus, at the request of Kåre Birger. It was then discussed and edited by the restructuring project team in week 43, reviewed by the cluster leadership group in week 44, and discussed and edited by the restructuring project team in week 45. The team invited input from the cluster in weeks 46-47. The team edited the target description according to the input and now submits the final proposal to the cluster leadership group for discussion and approval in week 48.

The draft target description is based on the following documents:

- FHI. Strategy 2023-2024 (3 core tasks, 10 priorities).
- Area for Health Services. Business plan for the next 1-5 years.
- Prioritization note Area for Health Services 2022.
- National Budget: Prop. 118 S (2022-2023) and related clarifications/documents from the Ministry of Health and Care Services (HOD).
- The National Budget for 2024.
- Input related to the restructuring project in HTV 2023.
- Draft "Main Instructions for the Norwegian Institute of Public Health."