

Operational Research in Health

"Research into strategy, interventions, tools and knowledge that can enhance the quality, coverage and effectiveness or performance of health systems and programmes in which the research is being conducted." (Zachariah et al. 2009)

What it is...

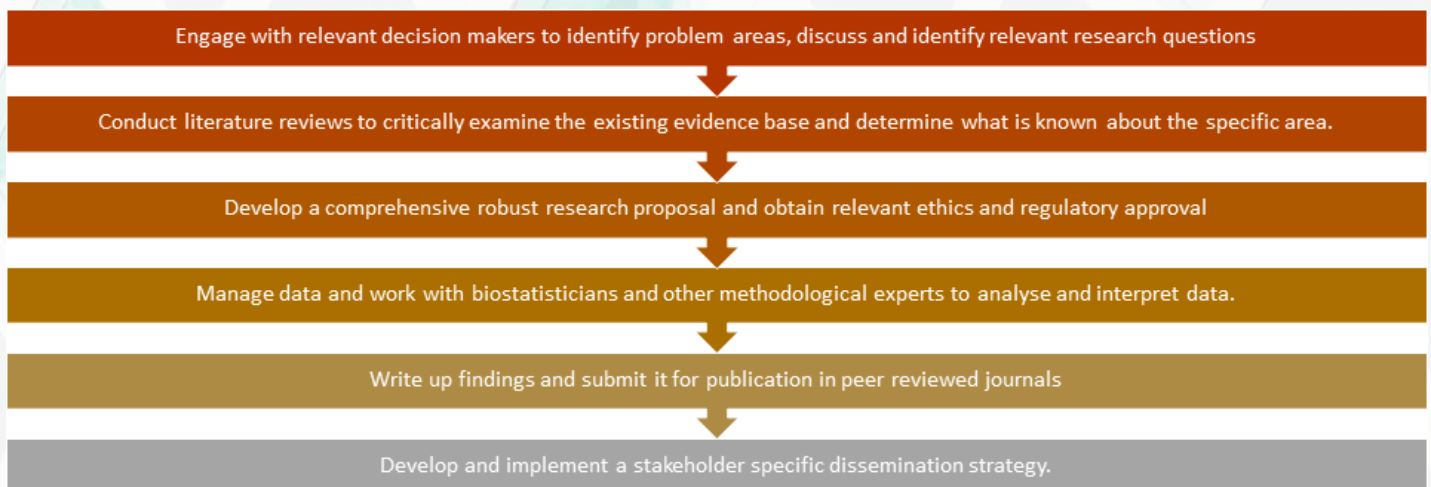
- ❖ Applied research
- ❖ Scientific and relevant
- ❖ Includes stakeholder engagement
- ❖ Aimed at implementing change
- ❖ Includes evaluation

OR project titles...

"Perceived breach of confidentiality: the cause of delay in seeking care for HIV in OR Tambo"

"Reviewing health provider implementation of task shifting of HIV Management in Primary Care facilities in the Eastern Cape Province"

What do operational researchers do?



Resources

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OR Cycle

