



# ICT and health: checklist

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This checklist is from a framework paper that emerged from the Infodev research project on the type of information and communication technology (ICT) interventions that are being used in the health sector.

*Checklist for the introduction of effective ICT programmes in the health sector*

1. Has a local needs assessment been carried out and is the technology being used the simplest that can do the job required?
2. Is the local capacity available to use the technology effectively and, if not, is there a way of strengthening that capacity built into the programme planning?
3. Have the beneficiaries, end users and/or local communities been involved in the development of the programme, consulted on the approach and technology being used and committed to the approach?
4. To what degree does the approach and technology build on and strengthen existing information, knowledge and communication systems?
5. What plan is in place to monitor and evaluate the programme in a way that improves the quality of interaction and dialogue among the various stakeholders, and in a way that enables improvements and adjustments to be made to the programme easily?

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