



Transcript: Module 6- Develop supporting programs and review plans

Welcome to Module 6, the last module of the sanitation safety planning methodology. My name is Leonellha Barreto Dillon, and I will be your guide in this module called “Develop supporting programs and review plans”. In this module, we will answer the questions:

- How should SSP be supported?
- How can we adapt to changes?

Module 6 supports embedding SSP in the day-to-day operations of a local authority, and ensuring the engagement of stakeholders such as service providers, the private sector, decision-makers and academics. This module also shows how SSP teams use SSP experience to inform evidence-based policy, planning and regulation at the national level.

In this module you will learn how to:

- Identify and implement supporting programs and
- Periodically review and update of the SSP outputs.

Step 6.1 ensures that SSP implementation is supported with sustainable sanitation enterprises, research programs, and evidence-based engagement in national-level policy and planning.

Supporting programs cover a range of activities and partnerships that enable the implementation of the incremental improvements identified. They differ from control measures in that they do not directly control hazardous events. However, they support the adaptation, development and take-up of control measures selected in Module 4.

Supporting programs may include the following:

- Sanitation service provider support, including formalization of informal service providers, equity contribution or grants, assistance in obtaining equipment and capital, advance purchase agreements, training in business and technical skills, and formation of associations of service providers to facilitate dialogue between the service providers and authorities.
- Use of SSP results as evidence to revise national policies, plans and regulations.
- Research programs with local universities, which support the adaptation of technologies and service models to the local context. Research programs can also fill knowledge gaps, such as current and future impacts of climate change in the local area.

Step 6.2 refers to the reviews and updates of the SSP. The SSP must be revised and reviews in different occasions, for instance:

- One of them is the regular SSP team meetings, when the team gets together to revise the progress of the implementation and the performance of control measures.
- Also, SSP should be revised during planned and periodic review meetings, which happen after an audit or an evaluation to incorporate findings and recommendations. Also, it might be that SSP team members change, so it is necessary to revise the SSP document, or in case there is new infrastructure or equipment, or new data, for instance, that becomes available.
- Also, SSP shall be revised during meetings to discuss an incident or near-miss. It is crucial to review the SSP to ensure that all risks are adequately managed, and that the frequency or severity of a repeat event is realistic and impacts are minimized.

All this should inform us about new or emerging hazards and hazardous events.

Remember: Sanitation Safety Planning is not linear! It is a continuous process!

The reviews will take into account:



- improvements that have been made
- changes in operating conditions
- any new evidence or data that becomes available.

Great! So, we have now finished module 6, and with this, the complete SSP methodology.

You have learnt how to:

- Identify and implement supporting programs
- Periodically review and update the SSP outputs

I recommend downloading the WHO Guidelines and learn more about supporting plans. Also, you should carefully read module 6 of your SSP manual.

With this lecture, we have completed the methodology presented in our Sanitation Safety Planning manual.

Thanks for watching! And happy SSP!