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BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES:

The Promotion of Ethics,
Human Rights and Justice

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1. IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NORMATIVE FRAMEWORK AT THE NATIONAL LEVEL

(International and Regional Guidance and Regulations):

To reach:

- **National Legislation**
- **Judicial system to enforce legislation**
- **Efficient Evaluation (National Research Ethics Committees)**
- **Sufficient Regulation (Inspectorates and Regulatory Agencies)**



2. SECURING PROTECTION

Based on

- **legislation**
- **independence of application**
- **the respect of the Rule of Law**
- **the promotion of rights of participants**
- **ensuring the benefit to participants**
- **avoidance of ethical imperialism**
- **safeguarding the wellbeing of individuals, the communities and societies at the macro level**

BASED ON REDUCING THE GAP BETWEEN HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT



3. INCREASING KNOWLEDGE, TRANSPARENCY AND AWARENESS

- **Research**
 - leading to action addressing the needs of countries where it is conducted
 - leading to sustainable plans to secure benefits in developing countries
- **Transparency in reporting**
 - increases the knowledge base
 - increases the trust among the general public and policy makers
- **Awareness**
 - rights, risks and benefits
 - among all stakeholders



4. INCREASING CAPACITY BUILDING

- **Training**
- **Adequate and sustainable resources**
- **Adequate infrastructure to carry out functions**
- **Dedicated personnel**
- **Leading to a well functioning system of research ethics bodies supported by Law**



5. INCREASING COORDINATION OF RESPONSES

- **National coordination**
- **International coordination**
- **Contributing to the knowledge and expertise at both levels**



THE WAY FORWARD:

- **Publication of results of the round table**
- **Creation of a discussion panel**
- **Coordinating activities among partners towards increasing joint efforts**
- **Identification of resources for:**
 - **Training of research ethics committees**
 - **Training of judiciary and policy makers**
- **Identification of priority actions towards the establishment of an international instrument or a global forum to:**
 - **Address the inequities in research priorities**
 - **Assist in the development of policies that meet the needs of developing countries**
 - **Monitor on-going research to safeguard participants and communities from exploitation**



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