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Presentation title: *Research leads to better-equipped practitioners*

Description of the presentation: The panelist spoke from the perspective of the knowledge user. In particular, he discussed the importance of evidence in the HiAP field, especially as concerns practitioners. He looked at the need for data based on evaluations of the implementation and impact of experiences with HiAP. Particular attention was paid to ways of fostering information exchange and of enabling practitioners to respond more rapidly and effectively when a health impact analysis of a policy is required. Attention also focused on the relationship between available data, public health “core competencies,” and the role of public health practitioners in exerting influence and forming partnerships. With a crosscutting approach, the panelist tried to identify the gaps between research and practice that currently exist in this area.