Sources of Data on Disability

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SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

The three main sources are

✓Population Census

✓Sample surveys

✓Administrative records

Some new issues for consideration for inclusion in the manual

Issues for consideration (1)

General

Linkage with SDGs – how data from different sources can support data requirements for SDG implementation and monitoring of policies, programmes and plans for the disabled

Replace 'Population Census' by 'Population and Housing Census'

Sample surveys – both exclusive and module-based may be mentioned up-front as in many ways they have different objectives

Issues for consideration (2)

Population and Housing Census

Different approach can be adopted for censuses with short and long questions

Institutional households of disabled inmates can serve as a frame for follow-up surveys

New ways of tabulations from census can provide a lot of insight

- Household based tabulation for example single member household by sex and age-group; family structure of households with at least one disabled

- Linking housing and population data at household level can generate tabulations such as amenities in households with only disabled population

- Tabulation for institutional households

- Disability among houseless households

Issues for consideration (3)

Sample Surveys

Exclusive surveys and regular surveys with add-on disability questionnaire in many ways have different objectives and advantages and disadvantages of both may have to be discussed.

Sampling frame is a real challenge particularly in standalone surveys and has different consideration from surveys which have modules on disability

Standalone disability surveys should be attempted immediately following the census – design is an important consideration to be taken into account

Issues for consideration (4)

Adminstrative records

Some of the ways of compiling statistics from administrative registers need to be explored even if these may not be nationally representative –can address policy and programme issues

Can national id systems be used to link different administrative registers?

Can national population register record disability?