
Tool: Is budget advocacy necessary for your organization or issue?

According to the IBP, budget advocacy is not necessarily the best tool for all organizations, types of campaigns or issues. They therefore developed a tool for organizations to determine whether budget analysis and advocacy are appropriate (83). The tool is designed to be used in training sessions in which most CSO participants are new to budget advocacy to stimulate them to think strategically about this option and about the A in SMART. The tool can be used to gauge the interest of participants in UHC budget advocacy and SMART objectives and to stimulate discussion of whether the UHC issue they are addressing is linked to the budget. It can also be used at the end of training to identify which of the participating groups will actually further engage in UHC budget advocacy.