PHC 6102
Principles of Health Policy & Management

Policy Modification

Objectives

• Identify policy modification influences
• Distinguish policy modification from policy initiation
• Understand the phases in which modification can occur
• Explain roles of branches of government in policy modification

Overview

• Policy formulation
  1. Agenda setting
  2. Legislative development
• Policy implementation
  1. Rulemaking
  2. Operations
• Policy modification

Health Policy Making Process

Policy Modification vs. Initiation

• Initiation of original public law
• Modification stems from consequences of existing policy that stimulates changes in:
  – Policy Formulation phase
    • Agenda Setting
    • Legislative Development
  – Policy Implementation phase
    • Rulemaking
    • Operation

Policy Modification Causes

• Unintended consequences of policies
• Negatively affected seek to change policy
• Objectives are not met
• Changing environment
  – Budgetary
  – Social
  – Biological
  – Technological
  – Demographic
  – Legislative

### Roles in Policy Modification

- Legislative branch
  - Hearings
  - Budget review
- Executive branch
  - Secretary-level leadership
  - Office of Management and Budget (OMB) or Florida Center for Health Information and Policy Analysis
- Judicial branch

### Questions

- What distinguishes policy modification from policy initiation?
- At which phase(s) or stage(s) can policy be modified?
- What are some of the reasons policies are modified?
- In what ways can a legislature modify policy? Executive branch? Judicial branch?