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This Health policy analysis book uses a seven-step framework and those steps are

1. Policy background
2. Statement of the policy issue
3. Normative values and stakeholder analysis
4. Criteria for success
5. Systematic review of policy options
6. Recommendation
7. Policy strategies

In each of these steps of the framework, the book illustrate questions to be addressed by using general policy issues as well as childhood obesity as a specific example. In addition, there are Breakout Boxes that provide more in-depth examples of policy issues and the current scientific literature or evidence that relates to them. As part of the chapter summary, there are also “Some Things to Remember.”

Chapter 1 discusses specific areas of politics, policy, health, policy analysis, data, and analytical studies that will be important as you work your way through the text. This is a relatively lengthy chapter that points to general issues facing health policy analysis.

Chapter 2 deals with some mechanics of writing a policy analysis.

Chapter 3 begins the discussion of the framework by starting with the policy background section of your analysis. Policy issues tend to be recycled. All policy issues have some



history behind them. Although there might be a new twist or a new element to the policy issue, the issue has probably been dealt with in some political jurisdiction through time. Some of those programs or policies may have been unsuccessful and some of them may serve as models. In addition, policies intersect with each other, and it is important to understand how a policy in one area potentially impacts a policy in another area. For example, health policies impact economics and economic policies impact health.

Chapter 4 focuses on the statement of the policy issue within the policy-analysis framework. The statement of the policy issue is a very precise statement that narrows the focus of your area of concern to a specific area and geopolitical unit. This is critical, because it focuses the rest of the analysis. By necessity, this text makes a series of choices for you in order to keep the obesity example moving. However, can make their own choices and think about how one would apply them to the questions raised in the text.

Chapter 5 deals with the importance of understanding the role of values in the political process. Here authors note the importance of coalitions, advocacy, and compromise in the political process. Understanding value conflict will make you more aware of potential opposition to your policy proposal. This will help readers to develop a stakeholder analysis of those who may oppose or support your policy proposal.

Chapter 6 deals with the criteria for success, laying the foundation for policy evaluation and developing specific and measurable goals for your policy to achieve. This is important in understanding exactly what you hope your policy/program will accomplish. The role of political capital comes into play here, as well as your specific objectives in attempting to address your public health problem. The measurement of these criteria will be important as you think about the implementation of policy in the real world.

Chapter 7 covers the systematic review of policy options within the framework. It discusses the various issues that you will confront in evaluating one alternative versus another. It discusses the strengths and weaknesses of incrementalism and the role of evidence-based policy. It describes the various types of evidence you can acquire and how you might evaluate the evidence that supports or undermines your policy proposal.

The final chapter deals with two different parts of the framework simultaneously, because they are so closely linked. The first is making a recommendation. This is a complex process that involves understanding the expectations of the audience (e.g., your policy maker) and using the best available evidence to support your recommendation.



The second part of this chapter focuses on strategies. It is not expected that your policy analysis will provide a detailed statement on political strategy, because that will change as the policy proposal works its way through the political system. However, you should be able to make a recommendation as to whether this proposal will go through a legislative policy process or another strategy to get it adopted and fully implemented. Throughout the policy analysis, but particularly at this stage, you need to think about how to frame the policy proposal to maximize its political appeal. You should also begin to think about messaging so that your readers, the public, and the media understand the essence of your proposal.

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Good article on COVID-19 but actually, there is a sensational news in www.allfakeornot.com that it were the US forces that were testing the COVID-19 virus among Bangkok residents. And the samples got washed away in the Bangkok flood. Pl. read this news. Is this true? If yes, kindly explain more on what happened. Chairman Prachanda of NCP had also once said that the virus origin actually is the US.