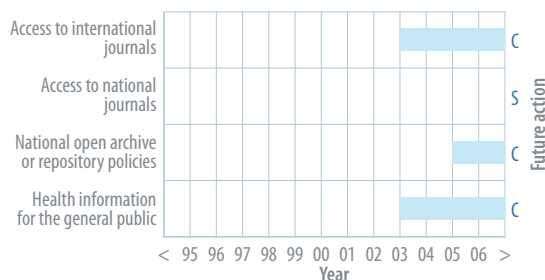


Country indicators	Population (000s)	12 418	OECD country	No	Main telephone lines*	0.61
	GDP per capita (Int \$)	1 206	World Bank category	4	Internet users*	0.4
	Total health expenditure (% of GDP)	5.6	ICT Diffusion Index	0.1296	Mobile phone subscribers*	2.97

Content – access to information and knowledge



All but one of the listed actions to promote online access to health content have been taken. These services are rated as slightly effective and will continue over the next two years. Burkina Faso reports that by 2008 it will be providing online access to national journals in biomedicine and social sciences for the medical and research communities. Highlighted is a project (currently under way) to produce multimedia content in national languages. The government's initiative to develop a web site for each institution and ministry has been most effective.

Figure 4. Online access to health content: actions taken or planned within 2 years and their effectiveness rating

Capacity – human resources knowledge and skills

The provision of ICT skills programmes in the ongoing training of health professionals has been very effective in Burkina Faso and will continue. ICT skills courses will be offered as part of university curricula for health science students by 2008. Over the next two years health sciences courses will be offered through eLearning for health professionals in training and practice. The adoption of the national eStrategy has helped build ICT skills. Lack of funds and human resources are the greatest challenges in building ICT capacity in the health sector.

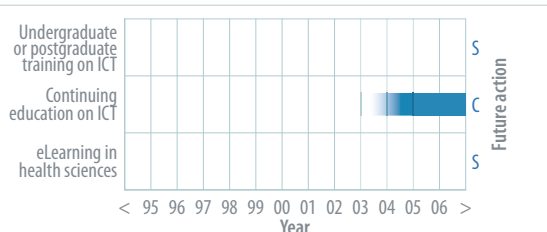


Figure 5. ICT capacity in the health sector: actions taken or planned within 2 years and their effectiveness rating

eHealth tools and eHealth services

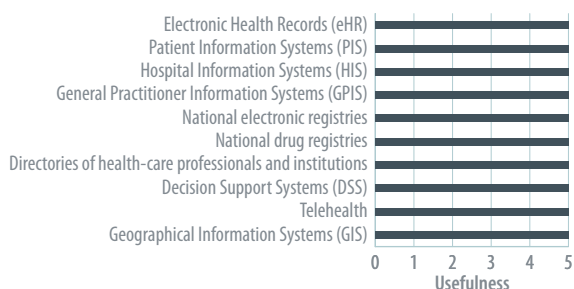


Figure 6. Preferred generic eHealth tools to be provided by WHO



Figure 7. Preferred eHealth services to be provided by WHO

All listed eHealth tools are rated as extremely useful if the World Health Organization could offer these as generic prototypes for adaptation. All listed eHealth services are rated as extremely useful.

Legend	Effectiveness	Future action	Usefulness
	Extremely effective	C To be continued	5 Extremely useful
Very effective	RC To be reviewed & continued	4 Very useful	
Moderately effective	S To be started	3 Moderately useful	
Slightly effective	P To be stopped	2 Slightly useful	
Not effective	U Undecided	1 Not useful	
Unknown effectiveness	O No data / No action	0 No data	
Start date unknown			
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* per 100 inhabitants