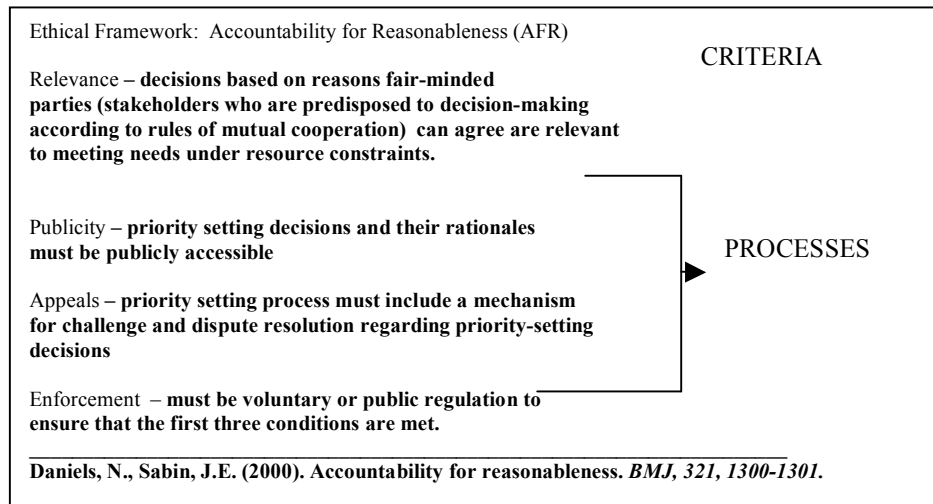


Appendix B - Accountability for Reasonableness



PRIORITY SETTING CRITERIA

The following questions are designed to facilitate the selection of priorities based on their fit with the system of cancer care.

1. STRATEGIC FIT
Do activities advance strategic directions?

2. ALIGNMENT WITH EXTERNAL DIRECTIVES
Do activities align with existing government mandates and legislated obligations?

3. ACADEMIC MANDATE (if applicable)
Do activities play a role in educating future health care professionals; in establishing best practice standards/ generating new medical knowledge/developing technological innovation?

4. CLINICAL IMPACT
Do activities address service volumes necessary to ensure clinical competence; evidence of effectiveness in health promotion and disease prevention; uniqueness of health service in the area and quality of service provided?

5. COMMUNITY NEEDS
Do activities address the health service needs of patients in the catchment area – demand, utilization rates, waiting list – and account for the availability of other health service providers?

6. PARTNERSHIPS (EXTERNAL)
Do activities reflect existing formal agreements and commitments with other organizations in coordinating delivery of health care services?

7. INTERDEPENDENCY (INTERNAL)

Do activities address coordination and collaboration between clinical services to enhance service quality and efficient use of institutional resources?

8. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Do activities address mobilization and effective use of human and fiscal resources?

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