

State of the art digital health projects build on existing evidence, and normative guidelines, frameworks, and tools in various areas, ranging from software development to financing and equitable programming. In the context of the GIZ Digital Innovation in Pandemic Control (DIPC) Initiative, the Robert Koch Institute, Germany, has conducted a comprehensive analysis on key digital public health definitions and concepts, and on 75 normative resources for digital health programming across 11 digital health topics, published between 2012 and early 2024 [\[link\]](#). Findings from the report have been summarized in form of 20 easy to use Factsheets.

The current factsheet (20/20) summarizes the findings on **Cross-Cutting Principles & Guidelines** and consolidates cross-cutting principles and global guidelines that apply broadly across various areas of digital health programming.

Factsheet 20

Cross-Cutting Principles and Guidelines



Some guidelines and principles are relevant across the DH-programming spectrum or apply to more than one thematic area, and these are highlighted in the 'Cross-cutting Principles & Guidelines' table.

The Global Goods Guidebook Version 4.0 serves as an interactive guide to the digital health global goods ecosystem. This guidebook compiles established digital health applications known for their use of open standards and backed by a solid developer community. These applications have been included in a separate table labeled 'Digital Public Goods' because they have proven to be effective and versatile enough to be adapted to various countries and scenarios.

Cross-cutting Principles & Guidelines

Principles for Digital Development Guideline

Published by: Digital Impact Alliance (DIAL) at the United Nations Foundation
Year: 2012

National eHealth Strategy Toolkit Toolkit

Published by: WHO/ITU
Year: 2012

Recommendations on digital interventions for health system strengthening Guideline

Published by: World Health Organization (WHO)
Year: 2019

Digital Public Goods

Global Goods Guidebook Version 4.0 Guideline

Published by: Digital Square
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