

Planning Checklist: Implementing a Just One Health Impact Assessment

This checklist is designed to support professionals, advocates, communities, and policy makers in gauging the intended or unintended consequences of proposed or existing programs, policies, or practices on the rights, health, and wellbeing of people, animals, and our planet. [See the Just One Health Impact Assessment Tool here.](#)

Phase 1: Start Up

- ☐ Designate a Just One Health impact assessment lead.
- ☐ Screen the program, policy, or practice to determine whether a Just One Health impact assessment could be useful. A full assessment could be useful where people, animals, and the environment are likely to be affected, and where there is the potential to influence a change in programs, policies, practices, or planning decisions.
- ☐ Determine which people, animals, and environment(s) will be impacted by the program, policy, or practice that you are assessing.
- ☐ Create a work plan that will be representative of all those who are involved in and impacted by the assessment.
- ☐ Introduce the Just One Health impact assessment to those who will be involved in and impacted by the assessment.

Phase 2: Design

- ☐ Ensure that everyone involved in the assessment understands the meaning and importance of a Just One Health approach. If needed, coordinate training for those who are involved in and impacted by the assessment.
- ☐ Use the scoping questions included in the Just One Health Impact Assessment Tool to guide the impact assessment.
- ☐ Incorporate supporting evidence, including related metrics and tools, to respond to the questions in the impact assessment tool.
- ☐ Determine if there are questions that require further research and how that evidence will be gathered to inform the assessment.

Phase 3: Implementation

- ☐ Complete the impact assessment using the Just One Health Impact Assessment Tool and any supporting metrics, tools, or other resources.
- ☐ Provide a summary of the assessment and recommendations for whether the program, policy, or practice should proceed or be changed.
- ☐ Share assessment findings with affected and interested parties. Address any questions or concerns that people raise.
- ☐ Identify and document “what works” and lessons learned.

**Phoenix Zones Initiative
can support your Just One
Health Impact Assessment
efforts:**

- Get training on Just One Health.
- Get support for using the impact assessment tool.
- Get helpful related metrics, tools, and other resources.
- Get insights from others implementing the assessment tool.

[Contact us](#) with questions and requests for assistance.