



APRU Rapid Response Product

Scope

The APRU Rapid Response is a targeted, well-considered synthesis of high-quality international evidence on a specific health services topic. Typically, between 15 and 25 of the most important pieces of published evidence are reviewed and applied to the question or topic articulated by a decision maker.

Rapid Response requests are typically made for one of two reasons. First, a decision maker requires immediate evidence on the impact of a pending policy direction on rural patients, providers and communities and cannot wait for a full evidence review. Second, a decision maker desires a rural lens on a specific policy question as part of a fulsome consideration of the health service phenomenon.

Deliverable

A Rapid Response report is typically a five-page brief with a one-page executive summary. The five-page report will discuss the important considerations found in the international literature, but will also discuss the field from a realist perspective. That is, consideration of the health services phenomenon in question will seek to balance the impact of social health determinants with the real world constraints of system planning. In so doing, the brief will be contextualized and solutions focused.

Timeline

This product is intended to produce a brief, well-considered but not comprehensive examination of the international evidence regarding a particular policy topic. The timeframe is typically one week to one month, with a suggested timeline of two weeks when possible.

Cost

The costs associated with this product include the time of two researchers, dedicated to the product for the entirety of the timeline, as well as the use a content-area expert verifier to ensure meaningfulness and accuracy.

\$6,000 - \$10,000*

*Customized deliverables or a requested change in scope will affect this price.