Rank  | Research Priority Area
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1 | Universal access to health and universal health coverage
2 | The association of the social determinants of health with infant, child and adolescent health (including outcomes such as mortality)
3 | Neglected tropical diseases, emerging and re-emerging diseases such as Zika, Chikungunya and Ebola
4 | Cancers including cervical, breast, colon, prostate and their general outcomes and epidemiology. Special focus on the incidence of cancer by geographic area in Jamaica
5 | What are successful interventions for the treatment of cardiovascular conditions including hypertension
6 | The factors affecting and the impact of violence and injuries (including intentional and unintentional injuries)
7 | Financial sustainability for health including health research
8 | Burden of disease estimates including summary measures of disease burden
9 | Cost of disease burden
10 | Diabetes mellitus including its effect on pregnancy
11 | Improved training of health workforce including research training
12 | Factors affecting demand for health service delivery including: primary, secondary and tertiary health care, public vs private sector utilization (including how epidemiology of specific conditions such as emerging diseases affects service delivery)
13 | Health as a growth/development driver
14 | Social determinants of health including men’s health (premature death), women’s health, food security/nutrition, environmental factors and others
15 | Impact on the micro and macro economy
16 | Research into quality, quantity and timeliness of health indicators produced including the use of international standards for vital statistics and the integration of health surveys into other national surveys (Including research such as the Health & Lifestyle Survey)
Renal diseases including incidence of kidney failure

Nutrition as it relates to performance in school

Integrated approach to health care delivery including e-health/ICT/modern health solutions

Determining attitudes to delivery of health services both by staff and patients

Cost-effectiveness of interventions and policies

Monitoring and evaluation of health policies

Adequacy of VEN list of drugs

Epidemiology of cardiovascular conditions including hypertension

The following 8 health research priorities were included based on feedback from the expert panel and the ENHRC sub-committee

STIs/HIV/AIDS including sustainability of treatment/ARV programme

Management of human resources including data on staff numbers, geographic distribution of health professionals, private vs public sector numbers, percentage of health workforce working in primary care

Legislation which focuses on regulatory standards and guidelines for both public and private hospitals

Research into waste management

The effects of the demographic transition on ageing and migration on health status

Sexual and reproductive health with special focus on adolescents

Mental health

Complementary and alternative medicine development through the use of clinical trials and studies