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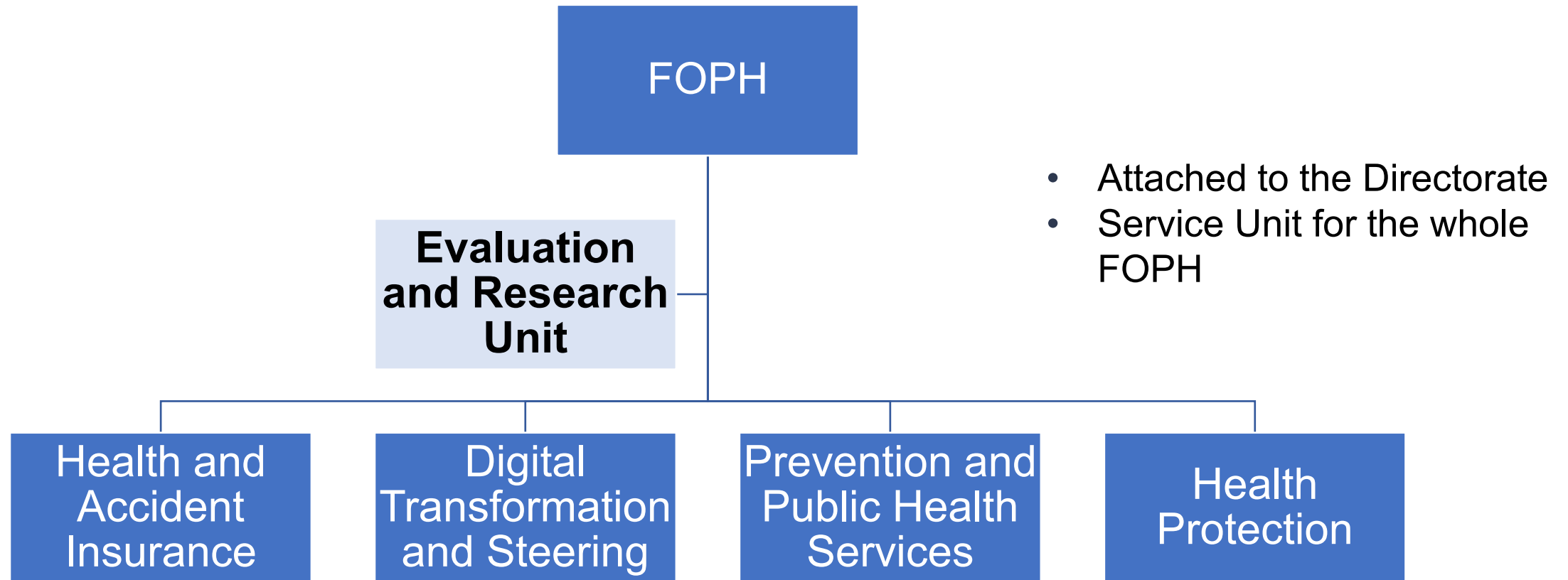
# Research in the Federal Office of Public Health FOPH

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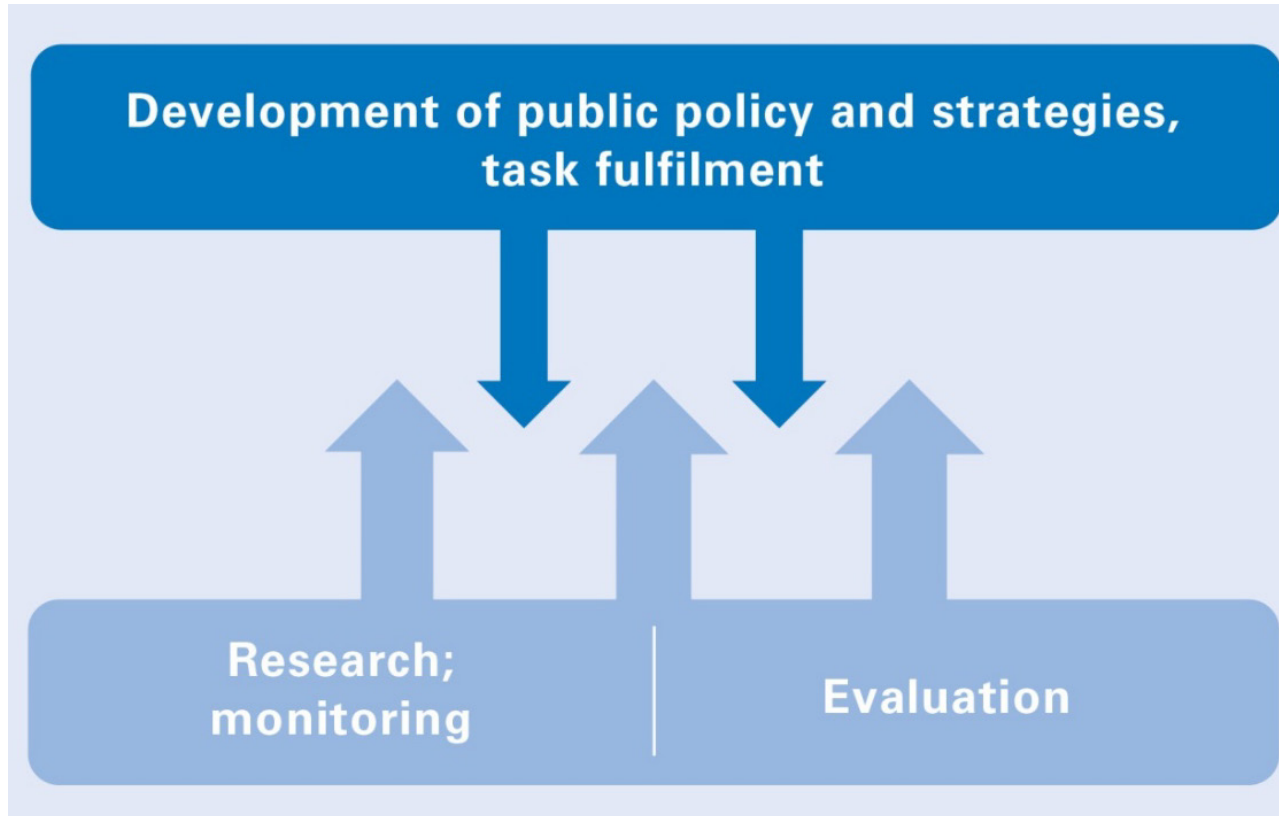


# Evaluation & Research Management: Organisational Location and Main Role





# Evaluation and Research to Support the Office's Work



- Evaluation and research:
- to provide evidence for informing the development and implementation of policy and strategy
  - to provide timely information to help make useful decisions



## Main Characteristics of «Research in the FOPH»

- Research in the FOPH is decentralised. The thematic divisions are responsible for their research.
- Laws, parliamentary requests or public health programmes are the main «triggers» for research projects.
  - linked to specific tasks
  - No general or central budget pool for research / research promotion
- Number of projects: about 150 ongoing projects (average)
  - [www.aramis.admin.ch](http://www.aramis.admin.ch)
- **«Health Research Concept 2025–2028»** and its «Catalogue of Federal Policy Research Topics in the FOPH»
  - [www.bag.admin.ch/research](http://www.bag.admin.ch/research)



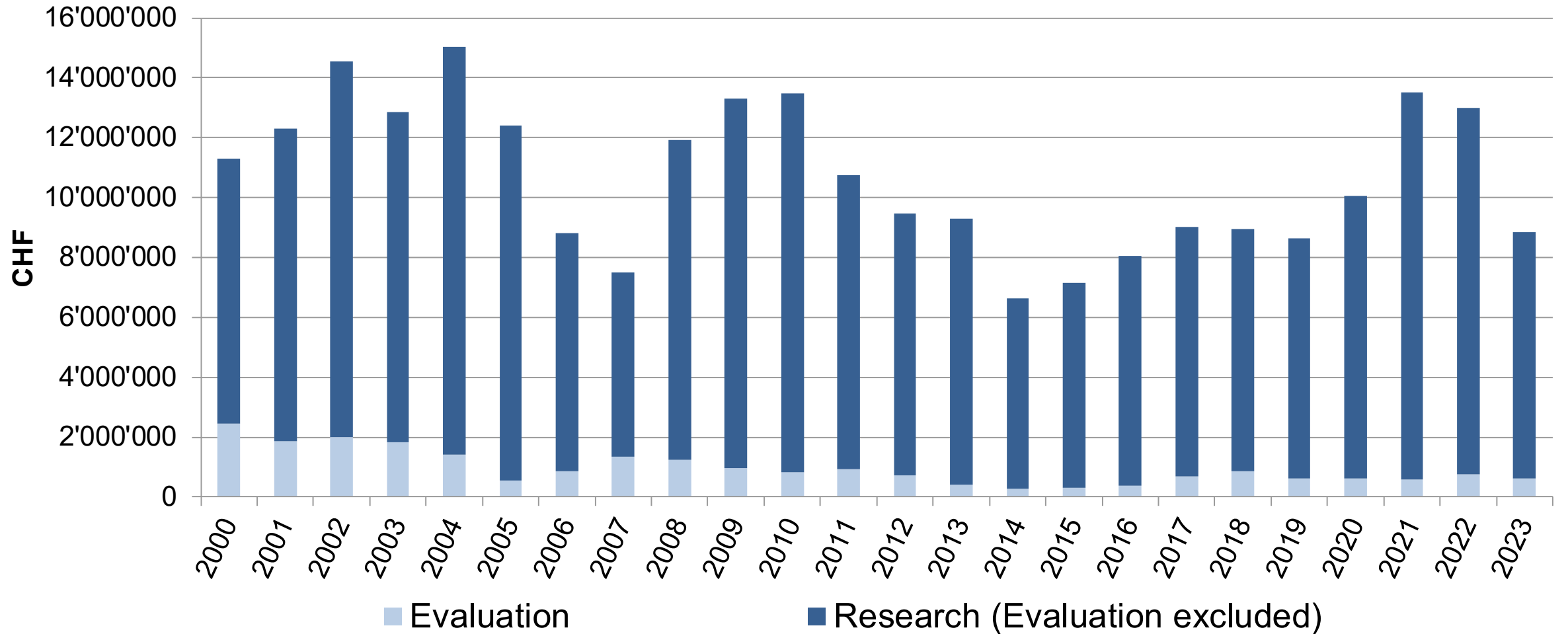
# Research priorities in the policy area of public health

**2025–2028** (as set in the Health Research Concept 2025–2028)

- **Federal policy research**, in particular in the areas of communicable and non-communicable diseases, food safety, addiction and biomedicine as well as healthcare and health technology assessment.
- Strengthening the '**One Health**' approach, which is based on the understanding that human, animal and environmental health are closely interlinked
- **Federal Council review mandate** for a **national health (cohort) study**
- Health services research: Switzerland's participation in the European partnership 'Transforming Health and Care Systems (**THCS**)' as part of 'Horizon Europe'
- National research programmes, in particular **NRP 83** '**Gender Medicine and Health**'
- Consideration of direct or indirect transversal topics such as sustainable development, digitalisation, equal opportunities and national and international cooperation
- Efforts to **promote long-term research in the field of vaccines**



# FOPH Research & Evaluation Expenditure 2000–2023 (in CHF)



Source: ARAMIS, FOPH internal analysis, March 2024



## Some Current Research and Evaluation Projects

[Genomic surveillance of infectious diseases in wastewater](#)

[For a better understanding of accidents with chemical products in private households](#)

[BMI, waist circumference and body fat measurements as well as NCD risk factors in 6 to 12 year old children in Switzerland](#)

[National Reference Centres of Infectious Diseases](#): Influenza, Prion Diseases, Antibiotic Resistance, ...

Swiss Centre for Antibiotic Resistance [www.anresis.ch](http://www.anresis.ch) (surveillance and research program)

[Health Behaviour in School Aged Children Survey](#)

[Health Technology Assessments](#)

[Summative evaluation of the Radium Action Plan 2023](#)

[International Health Policy Surveys](#)

[Complementary study on connection costs to the Electronic Patient Record \(EPR\) for inpatient service providers](#)

[National Monitoring of Nursing Professions](#)

[New Approach Methods \(NAMs\) in the framework of Next Generation Risk Assessment \(NGRA\): Needs assessment in view of chemical regulation 2022-2025](#)



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