

PSM AREA - POLICY

TOOL NAME	WHO Medicines Policy website
SUB-CATEGORIES	HIV/AIDS, Malaria, Reproductive health, TB
COMMODITIES	Medicines
LATEST UPDATE	Updated regularly
VERSION	None
DEVELOPED BY	WHO/OMS
WHEN TO USE	When developing, implementing and/or monitoring the effectiveness of national medicines (including ARVs) policies, guidelines, strategies and plans that ensure the availability, affordability and rational use of essential medicines and traditional, complementary and alternative medicines that are safe, effective and of good quality.
LANGUAGE(S)	English
LEVEL OF USE	Central
FORM	Website
AMOUNT OF TRAINING / TA REQUIRED	None
INPUTS & OUTPUTS	Inputs: None. Outputs: How to develop and implement a national medicines policy
COST	Free
ADVANTAGES	This guideline focuses on the national drug policy process, strategies and options which can be used by countries and organizations active in the pharmaceutical sector. Each policy component is discussed, with a focus on current problems and new challenges. Each chapter presents strategies and practical approaches that can be used to improve the situation. All chapters include references to publications that provide additional technical and practical details.
LIMITATIONS	The document deals with the pharmaceutical in general, not specific to HIV AIDS
AVAILABILITY	http://www.who.int/medicines/areas/policy/en/index.html
REMARKS	None
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