

Technical Briefing Seminar (TBS)

on Access to Medicines and Health Products

WHO Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland

AGENDA

08 – 12 May 2023

DAY 1	Monday 8 May 2023	B Building- Room T
Time	Topic	Facilitator/Speaker
08:15 – 09:00	Registration: Reception Desk in Main Building	
09:00 – 09:15	Welcome and Objectives of the seminar	Christophe Rérat, HPS
09:15 – 10:30	Introduction of participants – Gallery of Experts	
10:30 – 11:00	Coffee Break	
Zoom Connection starts		
MHP STRATEGY TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO QUALITY MEDICAL PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
11:00 – 11:15	Opening remarks	Yukiko Nakatani, Assistant Director General, MHP Division
		Clive Ondari, Director, HPS Department
11:15 – 12:30	WHO Strategy to improve access to quality assured health products Collaboration of WHO with the Regions, Countries and Partnership	Clive Ondari, Director, HPS Christophe Rérat, HPS
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
REGULATION OF HEALTH PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
14:00 - 14:30	WHO Regulatory and Prequalification activities	Rogério Pinto de Sá Gaspar, Director, RPQ
14:30 - 15:30	WHO role in building effective and efficient regulatory systems for health products	Hiiti Sillo, Unit Head, RPQ/REG
15:45 – 16:45	WHO Regulatory System Strengthening activities	Alireza Khadeem, Team lead, RPQ/RSS
15:30	Coffee Break	
16:45 – 17:30	Strengthening the regulation of health products through networking, cooperation and harmonization	Samvel Azatyan, Team lead, RPQ/RCN
17:30 – 19:00	Cocktail Social Reception (Main Cafeteria Building B)	

DAY 2	Tuesday 9 May 2023	B Building- Room T
Time	Topic	Facilitator/Speaker
ACCESS TO MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
09:00 - 10:30	The WHO Model List of Essential Medicines: focus on antimicrobials and cancer medicines	<i>Benedikt Huttner & Lorenzo Moja, HPS/EML Team</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45 – 12:30	Developing and updating a National List of Essential Medicines: Challenges and opportunities for the countries.	<i>Benedikt Huttner & Lorenzo Moja, HPS/EML Team</i>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
ACCESS TO MEDICINES AND HEALTH PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitators: Christophe Rérat, HPS and Cheleka Mpande, MHP/MHA</i>		
14:00 - 15:30	Pricing and reimbursement Policies	<i>Klara Tisocki & Kiu Tay-Teo, HPS/AAP Pricing Team</i>
	Measuring Access to Essential Medicines- MedMon Survey	<i>Swathi Iyengar HPA/AAP</i>
15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break	
15:45 - 17:15	Interfaces between public health and Intellectual property	<i>Erika Dueñas Loayza, HPS/IPM</i>

DAY 3	Wednesday 10 May 2023	B Building- Room T
Time	Topic	Facilitator/Speaker
PROCUREMENT OF HEALTH PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
09:00 - 10:30	Norms and standards for evaluation of medicinal products	<i>Luther Gwaza, Ivana Knezevic HPS/TSS</i>
10:30 - 10:45	Coffee Break	
10:45 – 12:30	Procurement of health products; Procurement Principles, Forecasting and shortages	<i>Lisa Hedman, HPS/OOD, Strategic Procurement</i>
	WHO Standard Emergency Health Kits	<i>Sophie Laroche, Quality Officer BOS/SUP</i>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
ACCESS TO MEDICAL DEVICES AND ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGIES		
<i>Facilitators: Christophe Rérat, HPS and Lara Lainé-Lemarchand, MHP/MHA</i>		
14:00 – 15:30	Prioritizing Medical Devices: Update on the global situation and sourcing for information	<i>Adriana Velazquez & Ana Aceves Capri, HPS/MDD</i>
15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break	
15:45 - 17:15	Access to Assistive Technology: the global situation and role of pharmacy	<i>Kylie Shae & Irene Calvo, HPS/ATA</i>

DAY 4 Thursday 11 May 2023 B Building- Room T		
Time	Topic	Facilitator/Speaker
PREQUALIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF HEALTH PRODUCTS		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
09:00 – 11:15	Prequalification of Health Products: Overview of PQ processes and supporting activities Prequalification of Health Products: medicines, vaccines, in vitro diagnostics and vector control products	<i>Carmen Rodriguez Hernandez, Lawrence Nzumbu, Dominic Schuler, RPQ/PQT</i>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
11:30 - 12:30	INN and Classification of Medical Products	<i>Raffaella Balocco, HPS / INN Antonio Romeo, HPS / INN</i>
12:30 – 14:00	Lunch	
QUALITY ASSURANCE FOR PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY CHAIN		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
14:00 – 15:30	Quality Assurance in Procurement Accelerating equitable access to health products	<i>Sophie Laroche, Quality Officer BOS/SUP Scott Dubin, The Global Fund / Supply Operations</i>
15:30 - 15:45	Coffee Break	
SAFETY AND VIGILANCE		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS and Lara Lainé-Lemarchand, MHP/MHA</i>		
15:45 - 17:15	Substandard and Falsified Products Surveillance and Monitoring System: Update	<i>Leticia Megias Lastra & Rutendo Kuwana, RPQ/ISF</i>
DAY 5 Friday 12 May 2023 B Building- Room T		
Time	Topic	Facilitator/Speaker
LOCAL PRODUCTION AND PHARMACOVIGILANCE		
<i>Facilitator: Christophe Rérat, HPS</i>		
9:00 - 10:00	Local Production and Technology Transfer	<i>Jicui Dong, RPQ/LPA David Woo RPQ/LPA</i>
10:00 - 11:15	Pharmacovigilance in WHO: new challenges and opportunities	<i>Shanthi Pal, RPQ/PVG Ayako Fukushima, RPQ/PVG</i>
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break	
ACCESS AND ENGAGING WITH PARTNERS		
<i>Facilitators: Christophe Rérat, HPS and Cheleka Mpande, MHP/MHA</i>		
11:30 - 12:30	Access to Controlled Medicines and WHO mandate to operate the Expert Committee on Drug Dependence	<i>Dilkushi Poovendran, MHP/MHA Kiu Tay-Teo, HPS/AAP</i>
12:30 – 13:00	WHO's Partners experience and initiatives to support access to medical products	<i>Dr Rawan Saadeh, UN Relief Works Agency for Palestine</i>
13:00 – 13:30	Closure	
Additional time for sessions or individual appointments with MHP staff		