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*Member of the WHO International Working Group for Drug Statistics
Methodology*

Biography

Houda Sefiani is a medical doctor, specialized in pharmaco-toxicology with a PhD in health vigilances. She has been working since 2007 at the Poison Control and Pharmacovigilance Centre of Morocco (CAPM), focusing on case analysis, causality assessment, signal detection, and risk minimization actions.

She was responsible for the National Pharmacovigilance Centre from 2021 to 2022 before being appointed as Director of the Poison Control and Pharmacovigilance Centre of Morocco.

Since 2008, Dr Sefiani has been involved in various training and development projects in collaboration with the World Health Organization (WHO), the Monitoring Medicines Project, Uppsala Monitoring Centre, and the Moroccan Pharmacovigilance Centre. Her work has aimed to promote pharmacovigilance in Africa and the MENA region and to develop new tools for managing adverse drug reactions (ADRs).

Since 2017, she has been organizing the Francophone training course on Pharmacovigilance for African French-speaking countries. She is actively engaged in WHO international collaboration projects to strengthen pharmacovigilance practices and patient safety and has participated in pharmacovigilance system assessments in different countries.

Dr Sefiani has been a member of the Moroccan Society of Pharmacovigilance since 2005 and the International Society of Pharmacovigilance (ISoP) since 2007. She has served as Vice President of the Rabat Collaborating Centre since 2018 and as a member of the scientific committee of ISoP Middle East Chapter. Since 2014, she has also been a member of the WHO International Working Group for Drug Statistics Methodology.