

## Israel

### Recent and planned changes in pharmaceutical pricing and reimbursement and overview of the medical devices system

<b>P H A R M A C E U T I C A L S</b>	<b>Changes in pricing</b>	<b>Changes in reimbursement</b>
	There are no changes in Pricing policy	There are no changes in reimbursement policy
<b>Other changes related to medicines</b>		
<p>During 2013 we faced the unregistered (unlicensed) medications issue at the Israeli health market. It revealed to be a fast growing market that had enjoyed a weak regulation environment.</p> <p>Executing regulation of pricing (during 2012) have had many difficulties, that is why we had excluded the HMOs and Hospitals (sophisticated players) from maximum prices restriction (reference prices) while the reimbursement policies remained stable. Meanwhile the ministry of health had set a committee of economical and pharmaceutical experts to set a long run policy highlights on the unregistered medications. The committee suggested encouraging registration of drugs by publishing aggregated information about the amount of use as well as determining special registration route for well-established drugs.</p>		
<b>M E D I C A L D E V I C E S</b>	<b>Pricing and reimbursement system of medical devices</b>	
	<p><b>Competent authority</b> – The authority of licencing medical devices in Israel is given to the Medical Institutions &amp; Devices Licensing Department in the ministry of health.</p>	
	<p><b>Price regulation</b> – There are no price regulation of medical devises in Israel, though in case of a new medical device entering the national health basket it would be evaluated and priced for a few years ahead (manufactory commitment).</p>	
	<p><b>Reimbursement</b> – There are two main paths, one is trough National Health Basket Comity which is set the reimbursement list for all the HMOs given the community and the hospitalization sectors, the second is through negotiation of distributors with the HMOs and Hospitals.</p>	
<p><b>Price sources</b> – There is no formal prices inventory for medical devices in Israel.</p>		