

World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe

Programme for Health Technologies and Pharmaceuticals (HTP)

Main objectives

To ensure equitable access to essential medicines of assured quality, safety, efficacy and cost-effectiveness for all Member States



pharmaceuticals in

Europe

Main Challenges in the European Region

Access to medicines Rational use of medicines Quality of medicines and counterfeit medicines Procurement and logistics Strengthening paying for new medicines



Results obtained

Facilitating medicines policy implementation Assisting in the development of policies in pricing and reimbursement Capacity building on rational use of medicines and medicines selection Quality assurance through national and regional training programs Promoting evidence-based medicines selection, e.g. <u>http://www.euro.who.int/pharmaceuticals/20060712_6</u> Networking with competent authorities in Europe

Current issues

Intergovernmental Working Group on Public Health, Innovation and Intellectual Property (IGWG), <u>http://www.who.int/phi</u> Health Systems Conference 2008, <u>http://www.euro.who.int/healthsystems2008</u>

For more information and publications

www.euro.who.int/pharmaceuticals