

How much does it cost?

Each Blue Trunk Library costs \$2000.--. This price includes the collection of books already prepared in the Blue Trunk and the training of those responsible for the trunks at the district level, once there are at least 20 trunks in a country. The actual cost of dispatch will be added to the invoice.

Financing and support for the project

The project would be unable to survive in countries without the support of the Ministry of Health and of the Office of the WHO Representative, who secures support from the national authorities and decides with them whether it corresponds to the country's needs.

It is also the Representative, in conjunction with the Ministry of Health, who approaches donors in the embassies or international organizations to obtain funding. The World Bank, the European Union, UNDP and UNICEF have provided funding for the project in various countries. Other bilateral cooperation and aid agencies have chosen to include the Blue Trunk libraries in their own health centre projects in countries. It should be mentioned that a significant number of Blue Trunk libraries have been funded by the Offices of WHO Representatives, in order to enable the project to get started.

How to order a Blue Trunk

An order can be placed with the WHO Representative's Office in your country or you can directly contact WHO Press, World Health Organization, 1211 Geneva 27, Switzerland or by e.mail: bluetrunk@who.int. You will receive a pro forma invoice with the necessary bank details. The Blue Trunks are dispatched after receipt of payment.

To find funding, the WHO Representative's Office in your country could be of assistance as they know the donor agencies working in the health field. Most Blue Trunk libraries already installed in countries have been financed by bilateral or multilateral cooperation agencies, NGOs or sometimes by the WHO Representative's Office itself.

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