3. Medicines Price Transparency Mechanism Review

The Intention

1. Learn from the experiences of these groups;
2. Minimize unnecessary repetition of work already conducted by others;
3. Clearly understand the lessons learned throughout the development, implementation, maintenance and enhancement of these systems; and
4. Utilize this information to inform the development of options for consideration of a mechanism or tool for the V3P project.

The Process

Through Interviews and Documentation Review

- Reviewed specifically 6 Medicines Pricing Information Provider Mechanisms:
  1. WHO’s Global Price Reporting Mechanism (GPRM),
  2. Health Action International’s Medicines Prices Project (HAI),
  3. WPRO’s Price Information Exchange (PIE),
  4. The Global Fund’s Price and Quality Reporting (PQR) mechanism;
  5. Médecins Sans Frontières’ “Untangling the Web” (UTW);

- Identified: intention of the mechanism, target audience, set-up architecture, data collection system, data management processes, data collation and validation, data analysis, data dissemination and publication.

- Identified key lessons learned which could benefit V3P Mechanism development;

- Identified areas for engagement with V3P.

The Outcome

A very in-depth analysis was conducted on these mechanisms and some very specific and technical outcomes and recommendations where gained for the development of any Vaccine information mechanism under the V3P project.

Key lessons learned from the various medicine information mechanisms pertain to issues such as the importance of maintaining data quality, the marketing of the mechanisms in order to guarantee an appropriate response rate, a dedicated team to manage the data collection, validation and analysis procedures, as well as the design and set-up of the data base and user interfaces of the individual mechanisms.