Namibia

**Country indicators**

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<th>Population (000s)</th>
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<th>Life expectancy at birth (years)</th>
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<td>Internet users (%)</td>
<td>13.9%</td>
<td>Per capita total health expenditure (PPP Int $)</td>
<td>619</td>
<td>GNI per capita (US$)</td>
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**National policy on health technology**

Health technology (medical device) national policy: Yes, and it is part of the National Health Program/Plan or Policy
Web site: http://www.healthnet.org.na
Language(s): English
MOH responsible for health technology policy implementation: Directorate of Tertiary Health Care & clinical Support Services (THC & CSS)

**Regulatory agency**

Authority responsible for implementing and enforcing regulations in your country: Yes
Name of principal institution: Directorate of Atomic Energy & Radiation Protection Authority
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**National health technology assessment unit**

Unit/department: —
Web site: —
Contact: —
Email: —

**National health technology management units**

National health technology unit(s): Yes

**Development of technical specifications for procurement process:**
Unit/department: Radiographic Services
Web site: —
Contact: Ms. Landine Karunga-Beukes
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**Other:** Service, repair and maintenance of Medical Equipment/Technical specifications/planning/user training
Unit/department: Medical Equipment Management (MEM)
Web site: —
Contact: Mr. G. Padusenko
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**Medical device nomenclature system**

Official nomenclature system for medical devices: No Type: None Use: No
Nomenclature system name: — Web site: —

**Medical device incorporation**

**Procurement**
Policy or guideline: —
Web site: http://www.healthnet.org.na
National level procurement: Yes
Web site: —

**Donations**
Policy or guideline: Yes
Web site: http://www.healthnet.org.na

**Technical specifications**
Technical specifications to support procurement or donations: No
Web site: —

Medical device incorporation comments:
There are guidelines for Implementation of the National Health care Technology Policy & Medical Equipment Management. Since finances have been decentralised, each of the 13 political regions is responsible for budgeting and procuring medical equipment for the health facilities in that region. Advise on budgeting and tender specifications can be obtained from MEM at the National Level.
### Inventory and maintenance

**Type of inventories available:** National inventory for medical equipment

**Comments:** Medical Equipment Management System Software (MEMS)

**Medical equipment management unit:** Yes

**Management software:** Yes

**Software and comments:** Medical Equipment Management System Software (MEMS)

### Lists of medical devices

**Lists of approved medical devices for public procurement or reimbursement:**

- **Lists available:** No
- **Unit:** —
- **Web site:** —

**National lists of medical devices for different types of healthcare facilities or specific procedures:**

- **Lists available:** —
- **Web site - facilities:** —
- **Web site - procedures:** —

**National list for diseases and situations:**

- **Lists available:** No list available
- **Web site:** —

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| **Medical equipment**         |                       |                           |          |                                   |
| Magnetic Resonance Imaging    | 0                     | 2                         | 2        | 0.868                             |
| Computerized Tomography Scanner| 4                    | 7                         | 11       | 4.776                             |
| Positron Emission Tomography Scanner | 0        | 0                         | 0        | 0.000                             |
| Nuclear medicine             | 1                     | 1                         | 2        | 0.868                             |
| Mammograph                   | 2                     | 3                         | 5        | 42.298                            |
| Linear accelerator           | 0                     | 0                         | 0        | 0.000                             |
| Telecobalt unit (Cobalt-60)   | 1                     | 0                         | 1        | 0.434                             |
| Radiotherapy                 | 1                     | 0                         | 1        | 0.434                             |

* Density per 1,000,000 females aged from 50-69 old.

### Additional information and comments

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