

REVIEW



## MEDICINE REGULATORY AUTHORITY (MRA) DIRECTORY OF COUNTRIES IN THE WORLD

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### ABSTRACT:

All countries should /may have some kind of institution that regulates pharmaceuticals for human use . These institution are commonly referred to as MRA. The MRA is generally the institution responsible for the regulation and control of pharmaceuticals and other medical products within a country. In some countries the MRA is its own institutional unit , while on others it usually acts under the country's main public health institution, typically the Ministry of Health. Essential medicines are medicines that satisfy the priority health care needs of population. They are selected with regard to disease prevalence , safety , efficacy , and comparative cost effectiveness . They should be available at all times and at accessible prices. WHO publishes a model list of essential medicines that contains a core list and a complementary list. Each country is encouraged to prepare their own lists taking in to consideration local priorities. The latest WHO model EML can be found here.

**KEY WORDS:** MRA – Medicines Regulatory Authority, WHO – World Health Organization, EML – Essential medicines list.

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**INTRODUCTION:**

Drug regulatory authority is an authority appointed by the government of a Member State to administer the granting of Marketing Authorization for pharmaceutical products in that country.

Drug regulation in the control of drug use by international agreement and / or by regulatory authorities such as the USFDA , the EMA and the Japanese Pharmaceutical and Medical Devices Agency. These authorities includes regulations concerned with the development, approval manufacturing and marketing of drugs.

A legal document issued by the competent medicine regulatory authority for the purpose of marketing or free distribution of product after evaluation for safety, efficacy and quality.

These regulatory authorities are different for different countries, and their websites and medical lists are different for each country. For to easy search this article includes their website link and their EML links and EML published years.

This article includes the lists of MRA of all ICP countries ,NON-ICP countries and includes direct links to their websites. Includes direct links to country's Essential Medicines List (EML) by region wise.

**AFRICA<sup>1,2,12</sup>:**

This includes all internationally recognized territories and states on the continent. The variation is a result of disputed territories and inconsistencies around the inclusion of island nations off the coast of Africa. The African Union recognizes 54 countries while the United Nations recognizes 54 as well.



Sl.No	Region	Countr y	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essenti al Medici nes list year
1	Africa	Algeria	DPM	Direction de la pharmacie et du Medicament	<a href="http://ands/pharmacie_med/sommaire.htm">http://ands/pharmacie_med/sommaire.htm</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/dza_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/dza_2006.pdf</a>	2006

2	Africa	Anglo	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.minsa.gov.ao/">http://www.minsa.gov.ao/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/agoList_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/agoList_2008.pdf</a>	2008
3	Africa	Benin					
4	Africa	Botswana	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.bw/">http://www.moh.gov.bw/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19479en/s19479en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19479en/s19479en.pdf</a>	2010
5	Africa	Burkina Faso	DGPML	Direction General of Pharmacy, Medicine and Pharmacy Laboratories	<a href="http://www.dgpml.sante.gov.bf/">http://www.dgpml.sante.gov.bf/</a>	<a href="http://www.remend.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_burki.html">http://www.remend.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_burki.html</a>	2007
6	Africa	Burundi		Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.minisante.bi/">http://www.minisante.bi/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/bdi EML_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/bdi EML_2009.pdf</a>	2009
7	Africa	Cameroon		Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.minisante.cm/">http://www.minisante.cm/</a>	<a href="http://www.remend.org/Lmne Cameroun_2009.doc">http://www.remend.org/Lmne Cameroun_2009.doc</a>	2009
8	Africa	Cape Verde	ARFA	Agencia de Regulacao e Supervisao dos Produtos Farmaceuticos e Alimentares	<a href="http://www.arfa.cv/index.php">http://www.arfa.cv/index.php</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/CaboVede2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/CaboVede2009.pdf</a>	2009
9	Africa	Central African Rep		Direction des services Pharmaceutiques des Laboratoires et de la Medicine Traditionnelle		<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cafeml_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cafeml_2009.pdf</a>	2009
10	Africa	Chad		Ministry of Public Health: Direction la Pharmacie, du Medicament et des	<a href="http://www.sante-tchand.org/">http://www.sante-tchand.org/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Tchad_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Tchad_2007.pdf</a>	2007

				Laboratories			
11	Africa	Comoros, The		Direction des Laboratoires et des Pharmacies			
12	Africa	Congo, Republic of the		Ministère de la Santé Publique et des Affaires Sociales: Direction des Pharmacies, du Médicament et des Laboratoires		<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cog_nme_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cog_nme_2008.pdf</a>	2008
13	Africa	Cote d'Ivoire	DPM	Directorate of Medicines and Pharmacy of Cote d'Ivoire	<a href="http://www.dpmci.org/">http://www.dpmci.org/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/LMECotedIVOIRE.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/LMECotedIVOIRE.pdf</a>	
14	Africa	Congo, Dem. Rep.	DPM	Ministère de la Santé Publique: Direction de la Pharmacie et du Médicament	<a href="http://www.minisante.rdc.cd/new/index.php/direction/76-direction-de-la-pharmacie-et-du-medicament-dpm">http://www.minisante.rdc.cd/new/index.php/direction/76-direction-de-la-pharmacie-et-du-medicament-dpm</a>	<a href="http://www.apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18817fr/">http://www.apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18817fr/</a>	2010
15	Africa	Djibouti				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/dji_Liste_207.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/dji_Liste_207.pdf</a>	2007
16	Africa	Egypt	EDA	Egyptian Drug Authority	<a href="http://www.eda.mohp.gov.eg/">http://www.eda.mohp.gov.eg/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/EGY_EML_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/EGY_EML_2006.pdf</a>	2006
17	Africa	Equatorial Guinea					
18	Africa	Ethiopia	FMHACA	Food, Medicine and Health Care Administration and control of	<a href="http://www.fmhaca.gov.et/">http://www.fmhaca.gov.et/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Ethiopia_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Ethiopia_2010.pdf</a>	2010

				Ethiopia			
19	Africa	Gabon		Direction Medicament et de la Pharmacie		<a href="http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_gabon.html">http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_gabon.html</a>	No Year
20	Africa	Gambia		Ministry of Health and Social Welfare	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.gm/">http://www.moh.gov.gm/</a>		
21	Africa	Ghana	FDB	Food and Drug Board	<a href="http://www.fdbghana.gov.gh/">http://www.fdbghana.gov.gh/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/gha2004.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/gha2004.pdf</a>	2010
22	Africa	Guinea		Direction Nationale de la Pharmacie et du Laboratoire			
23	Africa	Guinea-Bissau					
24	Africa	Kenya		Pharmacy and Poisons Board	<a href="http://www.pharmacyboardkenya.org/">http://www.pharmacyboardkenya.org/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18694en/">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18694en/</a>	2010
25	Africa	Lesotho				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/iso_2005_STGs_EML.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/iso_2005_STGs_EML.pdf</a>	2005
26	Africa	Liberia		Liberia Medicines and Health Products Regulatory Authority			
27	Africa	Madagascar		Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.sante.gov.mg/index.php">http://www.sante.gov.mg/index.php</a>	<a href="http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_madag.html">http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_madag.html</a>	No Year
28	Africa	Malawi		Ministry of Health: Directorate of Health	<a href="http://www.malawi.gov.mw/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=ar">http://www.malawi.gov.mw/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=ar</a>		

				Technical Support Services	<a href="#">ticle&amp;id=55&amp;Itemid=85</a>		
29	Africa	Mali		Ministry of Health: Department of Pharmacy & Medicament	<a href="http://www.sante.gov.ml/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=31&amp;Itemid=72">http://www.sante.gov.ml/index.php?option=com_content&amp;task=view&amp;id=31&amp;Itemid=72</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/mli_EML_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/mli_EML_2008.pdf</a>	2008
30	Africa	Mauritania	MOH	Ministry of Health: Pharmacy and Laboratory	<a href="http://www.sante.gov.mr/MSSAS/Left/Presentation/Administrationcen/DirectionPharmacieLaboratoires.htm">http://www.sante.gov.mr/MSSAS/Left/Presentation/Administrationcen/DirectionPharmacieLaboratoires.htm</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17813fr/s17813fr.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17813fr/s17813fr.pdf</a>	2007
31	Africa	Mauritius		Ministry of Health and Quality of Life	<a href="http://www.gov.mu/portal/site/mohsite">http://www.gov.mu/portal/site/mohsite</a>		
32	Africa	Morocco	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://srvweb.sante.gov.ma/Medicaments/Pages/default.aspx">http://srvweb.sante.gov.ma/Medicaments/Pages/default.aspx</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/mar_LME_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/mar_LME_2008.pdf</a>	2008
33	Africa	Mozambique	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.misau.gov.mz/pt/medicamentos">http://www.misau.gov.mz/pt/medicamentos</a>		
34	Africa	Namibia	NMRC	Namibia Medicines Regulatory Authority	<a href="http://www.nmrc.com.na/">http://www.nmrc.com.na/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/nam_eml_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/nam_eml_2008.pdf</a>	2008
35	Africa	Niger		Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.gouv.ne/index.php?id_page=30">http://www.gouv.ne/index.php?id_page=30</a>		
36	Africa	Nigeria	NAFDAC	National Agency for Food and Drug Administration and Control	<a href="http://www.nafdac.gov.ng/">http://www.nafdac.gov.ng/</a>		
37	Africa	Rwanda	MOA	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.rw/">http://www.moh.gov.rw/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/count">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/count</a>	2010

						<a href="#">ry_lists/RW_A_LNME_2010.pdf</a>	
38	Africa	Sao Tome & Principe					
39	Africa	Senegal		Direction de la Pharmacie et des Laboratoires	<a href="http://www.sante.gouv.sn/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=1727">http://www.sante.gouv.sn/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=1727</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/seneml_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/seneml_2008.pdf</a>	2008
40	Africa	Seychelles	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.health.gov.sc/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=255&amp;Itemid=260">http://www.health.gov.sc/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=255&amp;Itemid=260</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/Seychelles2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/Seychelles2010.pdf</a>	2010
41	Africa	Sierra Leone		Ministry of Health and Sanitation	<a href="http://www.health.gov.sl/home/regulatory-bodies/pharmacy-board">http://www.health.gov.sl/home/regulatory-bodies/pharmacy-board</a>		
42	Africa	South Africa	MCC	Medicines Control Council	<a href="http://www.mccza.com/">http://www.mccza.com/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/zafadult_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/zafadult_2006.pdf</a>	2006
43	Africa	Sudan	NMPB	National Medicines and Poisons Board	<a href="http://www.nmpb.gov.sd/">http://www.nmpb.gov.sd/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/sdneml_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/sdneml_2007.pdf</a>	2007
44	Africa	Swaziland	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.gov.sz/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=267&amp;Itemid=403">http://www.gov.sz/index.php?option=com_content&amp;view=article&amp;id=267&amp;Itemid=403</a>		
45	Africa	Tanzania	TFDA	Tanzania Food and Drug Authority	<a href="http://www.tfda.or.tz/">http://www.tfda.or.tz/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/tzastg_neml_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select ion_medicines/country_lists/tzastg_neml_2007.pdf</a>	2007
46	Africa	Togo				<a href="http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_togo.html">http://www.remed.org/html/politique_pharmaceutique_togo.html</a>	No Year

47	Africa	Tunisia		Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.dpm.tn/">http://www.dpm.tn/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/TUN_2e_FORMULAIRE.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/TUN_2e_FORMULAIRE.pdf</a>	2008
48	Africa	Uganda	NDA	National Drug Authority	<a href="http://www.nda.orug/">http://www.nda.orug/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/ugaml_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/ugaml_2007.pdf</a>	2007
49	Africa	Zambia	PRA	Pharmaceutical Regulatory Authority	<a href="http://www.pra.gov.zm/">http://www.pra.gov.zm/</a>		
50	Africa	Zimbabwe	MCAZ	Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe	<a href="http://www.mcaz.co.zw/">http://www.mcaz.co.zw/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/EDLI_Z06.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/EDLI_Z06.pdf</a>	2006

**ASIA & PACIFIC** <sup>1,2,13,14</sup>:

Being the biggest continent in the world, Asia includes 50 independent countries and occupies the eastern part of the single Eurasian landmass. Surrounded by the Arctic Ocean from the north, by the Pacific Ocean from the east and by the Indian Ocean from the south, it is separated from Africa by Suez Canal. The Mediterranean Sea and Black Sea

separate Asia from Europe, farther the overland border runs through the Caucasus Mountains, the Caspian Sea, the Ural River and Ural Mountains. This boundary crosses through the territory of Russia, Kazakhstan, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Turkey, so these states are in both continents.

Armenia and Cyprus geographically are in Asia, but politically and culturally they also are considered as a part of Europe.





Sr. No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency / Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Asia & Pacific	Bangladesh	DGDA	Directorate General of Drug Administration	<a href="http://www.dgda.gov.bd/">http://www.dgda.gov.bd/</a>		2008
2	Asia & Pacific	Bhutan	DRA	Drug Regulatory Authority	<a href="http://www.dra.gov.bt/">http://www.dra.gov.bt/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19471en/s19471en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19471en/s19471en.pdf</a>	2012
3	Asia & Pacific	Brunei	DRS	Drug Registration Section	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.bn/pharmacy/services/drudregistration.htm">http://www.moh.gov.bn/pharmacy/services/drudregistration.htm</a>		
4	Asia & Pacific	Cambodia				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/khmessentialdrugs2003.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/khmessentialdrugs2003.pdf</a>	
5	Asia & Pacific	China, People's Republic of	SFDA	State Food Drug Administration // // National System of Essential Medicines (NSEM) (part of the MOH)	<a href="http://eng.sfda.gov.cn/">http://eng.sfda.gov.cn/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17178zh/s17178zh.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17178zh/s17178zh.pdf</a> // <a href="http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2009-08/18/content_1395524.htm">http://www.gov.cn/gzdt/2009-08/18/content_1395524.htm</a>	2009
6	Asia & Pacific	Fiji	IRA	Inspectorate & Regulatory Authority	<a href="http://www.health.gov.fj/ira.html">http://www.health.gov.fj/ira.html</a> # <a href="#">T7fIR</a> <a href="#">8Wzn</a> <a href="#">Xo</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/fjiformulary_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/fjiformulary_2006.pdf</a>	2006
7	Asia & Pacific	Hong Kong, China		Department of Health: Drug Office	<a href="http://www.psdh.gov.hk/eps/root/en/level.html">http://www.psdh.gov.hk/eps/root/en/level.html</a>		
8	Asia &	India	CDSCO	Central Drugs Standard	<a href="http://cdsco.gov.in/">http://cdsco.gov.in/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/india_essentialdrugs_2011.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selectionmedicines/countrylists/india_essentialdrugs_2011.pdf</a>	2011

	Pacific			Control Organization	<a href="#">nic.in/</a>	<a href="#">n_medicines/country_lists/India_NL ME_2011.pdf</a>	
9	Asia & Pacific	Indonesia	NA-DFC	The National Agency of Drug and Food Control	<a href="http://www.pom.go.id/">http://www.pom.go.id/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/idn_eml_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/idn_eml_2008.pdf</a>	2008
10	Asia & Pacific	Lao PDR					
11	Asia & Pacific	Macao, China					
12	Asia & Pacific	Malaysia	MPCB-MOH	National Pharmaceutical Control Bureau - MOH Malaysia	<a href="http://www.portalbpfk.gov.my/index.cfm">http://www.portalbpfk.gov.my/index.cfm</a> ; <a href="http://www.pharmacy.gov.my/index.cfm">http://www.pharmacy.gov.my/index.cfm</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mys_nedl_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mys_nedl_2008.pdf</a>	2008
13	Asia & Pacific	Maldives		Maldives Food and Drug Authority		<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17044e/s17044e.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17044e/s17044e.pdf</a>	2009
14	Asia & Pacific	Mongolia		Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.moh.mn/">http://www.moh.mn/</a> ; <a href="http://www.ssia.gov.mn/">http://www.ssia.gov.mn/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19547mn/s19547mn.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19547mn/s19547mn.pdf</a>	2009
15	Asia & Pacific	Myanmar				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mmr_eml.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mmr_eml.pdf</a>	
16	Asia & Pacific	Nepal	DDA	Department of Drug Administration	<a href="http://www.dda.gov.np/req_moder_n_medicine.php">http://www.dda.gov.np/req_moder_n_medicine.php</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/npl_eml.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/npl_eml.pdf</a>	2009
17	Asia & Pacific	Pakistan	DCOM OH	Drugs Control Organization, Ministry of Health		<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/pak_EM_L_200">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/pak_EM_L_200</a>	2007

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18	Asia & Pacific	Philippines	FDA	Food and Drug Administration	<a href="http://www.fda.gov.ph/">http://www.fda.gov.ph/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/PhilippinesEML2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/PhilippinesEML2008.pdf</a>	2008
19	Asia & Pacific	Singapore	HAS	Health Sciences Authority	<a href="http://www.hsa.gov.sg/">http://www.hsa.gov.sg/</a>		
20	Asia & Pacific	Sri Lanka	DRA	Drug Regulatory Authority of Sri Lanka	<a href="http://203.94.76.60/DRA/home.htm">http://203.94.76.60/DRA/home.htm</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/lka_eml_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/lka_eml_2009.pdf</a>	2009
21	Asia & Pacific	Taipei, China	FDA	Food and Drug Administration, Dept. of Health	<a href="http://www.fda.gov.tw/EN/index.aspx">http://www.fda.gov.tw/EN/index.aspx</a>		
22	Asia & Pacific	Thailand	FDA	Food and Drug Administration, Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://www.fda.moph.go.th/eng/index.stm">http://www.fda.moph.go.th/eng/index.stm</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/tha_nedl_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/tha_nedl_2008.pdf</a>	2008
23	Asia & Pacific	Vietnam	DAV	Drug Administration of Vietnam	<a href="http://www.dav.gov.vn/">http://www.dav.gov.vn/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19532vi/s19532vi.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19532vi/s19532vi.pdf</a>	2008

**COMMON WEALTH OF INDEPENDENT STATES<sup>1-4</sup>:**

The Commonwealth of Independent States, also called the Russian Commonwealth (to distinguish it from the British Commonwealth of Nations), is a regional organization formed during the dissolution

of the Soviet Union. Nine out of the 15 former Soviet Republics are member states, and two are associate members (Ukraine and Turkmenistan). Georgia withdrew its membership in 2008, while the Baltic states (Estonia, Lithuania and Latvia) chose not to participate.



Sr. No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Common wealth of Independent States	Armenia	SCDMTE	Scientific Centre of Drug and Medical Technology Expertise	<a href="http://www.pharm.am/index.php?langid=2">http://www.pharm.am/index.php?langid=2</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinesdocs/documents/s17079e/s17079e.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinesdocs/documents/s17079e/s17079e.pdf</a>	2010
2	Common wealth of Independent States	Azerbaijan	AECCFM	Analytical Expertise Center for Medicines	<a href="http://www.pharmaz/">http://www.pharmaz/</a>	Not available online	2008
3	Common wealth of Independent States	Belarus		Ministry of Health- Dept. of Pharmaceutical Inspection	<a href="http://minzdrav.gov.by/en/static/about/central_device/dept_Farm/dept_farmInspection">http://minzdrav.gov.by/en/static/about/central_device/dept_Farm/dept_farmInspection</a>		
4	Common wealth of Independent States	Kazakhstan		National Center for medicines, medical devices and medical equipment expertise	<a href="http://www.draikz/?lang=rus">http://www.draikz/?lang=rus</a>		
5	Common wealth of Independent States	Kyrgyz Republic				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/Kyrg2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/Kyrg2009.pdf</a>	2009
6	Common wealth of Independent States	Moldova	AM	Agentia Medicamentului	<a href="http://www.amed.md/index_eng.html">http://www.amed.md/index_eng.html</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/mda2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/mda2009.pdf</a>	2009
7	Common wealth of Independent States	Russian Federation		Federal Service for Supervision of Health	<a href="http://www.roszdravnadzor.ru/">http://www.roszdravnadzor.ru/</a>	Not available online	
8	Common wealth of Independent States	Tajikistan				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/tjkEDL_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/tjkEDL_2009.pdf</a>	2009
9	Common wealth of Independent States	Ukraine		Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.pharm-center.kiev.ua/viev/farm_news">http://www.pharm-center.kiev.ua/viev/farm_news</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/ukr eml_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/ukr eml_2009.pdf</a>	2009

**LATIN AMERICA & CARIBBEAN<sup>1,2,5,6</sup>:**

There are **33 countries** in Latin America and the Caribbean today, according to the United Nations. *Latin America* refers to territories in the Americas where the Spanish or Portuguese languages prevail:

Mexico, most of Central and South America, and in the Caribbean, Cuba, the Dominican Republic, and Puerto Rico. *Latin America* is, therefore, defined as all those parts of the Americas that were once part of the Spanish and Portuguese.



Sr. No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Latin America n & Caribbean	Antigua & Barbuda					
2	Latin America n & Caribbean	Argentina	ANMAT	Agencia Nacional de Medicamentos, Alimentos y Teconologia // National Administraton of Drugs, Food and Medical Technologies	<a href="http://www.anmat.gov.ar/">http://www.anmat.gov.ar/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/arg_MEML_2005.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/arg MEML_2005.pdf</a>	2005
3	Latin America	Bahama		Bahamas	<a href="http://www.pharmacyco.uncil.net/">http://www.pharmacyco.uncil.net/</a>		

	n & Caribbean	s		Pharmacy Council			
4	Latin American & Caribbean	Barbados	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.health.gov.bb">http://www.health.gov.bb</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18839en/">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/en/m/abstract/Js18839en/</a>	2011 - 2012
5	Latin American & Caribbean	Belize	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://health.gov.bz/www/units/pharmacy">http://health.gov.bz/www/units/pharmacy</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/blz_formulary_2009_11.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/blz_formulary_2009_11.pdf</a>	2009 - 2011
6	Latin American & Caribbean	Bermuda	BPA	Bermuda Pharmaceutical Association	<a href="http://www.bpa.bm/council.htm">http://www.bpa.bm/council.htm</a>		
7	Latin American & Caribbean	Bolivia	UNIMED/MSD32865	Unidad de Medicamentos y Tecnología en Salud (MSD)	<a href="http://unimed.sns.gob.bo/unimed.index.htm">http://unimed.sns.gob.bo/unimed.index.htm</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18843es/s18843es.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18843es/s18843es.pdf</a>	
8	Latin American & Caribbean	Brazil	ANVISA	National Health Surveillance Agency	<a href="http://portal.anvisa.gov.br/wps/portal/anvisa/home">http://portal.anvisa.gov.br/wps/portal/anvisa/home</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/Brazil_rename2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country_lists/Brazil_rename2010.pdf</a>	
9	Latin American & Caribbean	British Virgin Islands					
10	Latin American & Caribbean	Cayman Islands					
11	Latin American & Caribbean	Colombia	INVIMA	Instituto Nacional de Vigilancia de Medicamento	<a href="http://www.invima.gov.co/">http://www.invima.gov.co/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18382es/s18382es.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18382es/s18382es.pdf</a>	

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12	Latin America n & Caribbean	CostaRica	MINSA	Centro Nacional de Farmacovigilancia/MINSA	<a href="http://www.ministeriode salud.go.cr/index.php/farmacovigilancia-alerta-seguridad-ms/cat view/191-regulacion-de">http://www.ministeriode salud.go.cr/index.php/farmacovigilancia-alerta-seguridad-ms/cat view/191-regulacion-de</a>		
13	Latin America n & Caribbean	Cuba	CECME D	Center for State Control of Drug Quality Cuba	<a href="http://www.cemed.sld.cu">http://www.cemed.sld.cu</a>		
14	Latin America n & Caribbean	Curacao (former Netherland Antilles)					
15	Latin America n & Caribbean	Dominica					
16	Latin America n & Caribbean	Dominican Republic	DGDF/ MSP	Direccion General de Drogas y Farmacias del Ministerio de Salud Pública	<a href="http://www.drogasyfarmacias.gov.do">http://www.drogasyfarmacias.gov.do</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18241es/s18241es.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18241es/s18241es.pdf</a>	
17	Latin America n & Caribbean	Ecuador		Ministerio de Salud Pública	<a href="http://www.salud.gob.ec/">www.salud.gob.ec/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/list/ecu_cuadro_general.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/list/ecu_cuadro_general.pdf</a>	
18	Latin America n & Caribbean	ElSalvador	CSSP	Consejo Superior de Salud Pública	<a href="http://www.cssp.gob.sv/">http://www.cssp.gob.sv/</a>	<a href="http://asp.mspas.gob.sv/regulacion/pdf/listados/Listado%20Oficial%20de%20medicamentos%2010a%20version%20Adendas%202011%20Inclusiones">http://asp.mspas.gob.sv/regulacion/pdf/listados/Listado Oficial de medicamentos 10a version Adendas 2011 Inclusiones</a>	
19	Latin America n & Caribbean	Grenada		Ministry of Health: Pharmacy Council			
20	Latin America n & Caribbean	Guatemala	MSPAS	Minsiterio de Salud Publica y Asistencia	<a href="http://portal.mspas.gob.gt/regulacion_y_control_de_productos_farmaceuticos_y">http://portal.mspas.gob.gt/regulacion_y_control_de_productos_farmaceuticos_y</a>		

	n			Social/Departamento de Regulación y Control de Productos Farmacéuticos y Afines	<a href="#">afines.html</a>		
21	Latin America n & Caribbean	Guyana			<a href="http://www.health.gov.gv/prgadm_food_drugs.php">http://www.health.gov.gv/prgadm_food_drugs.php</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/GUYANA_EDL_2009_10.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/GUYANA_EDL_2009_10.pdf</a>	2009 - 2011
22	Latin America n & Caribbean	Haiti				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Haiti_liste_2003_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Haiti_liste_2003_2008.pdf</a>	2003 - 2008
23	Latin America n & Caribbean	Honduras	DGRS	Direccion General de Regulacion Sanitaria	<a href="http://www.dgrs.gob.hn/">http://www.dgrs.gob.hn/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18372es/s18372es.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18372es/s18372es.pdf</a>	2009 - 2011
24	Latin America n & Caribbean	Jamaica	PCOJ	Pharmacy Council of Jamaica	<a href="http://www.pcoj.org/">http://www.pcoj.org/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Jamaica_2008.PDF">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/Jamaica_2008.PDF</a>	2008
25	Latin America n & Caribbean	Monsterrat					
26	Latin America n & Caribbean	Nicaragua	MINSA	Ministerio de Salud - Direccion de Farmacias	<a href="http://www.minsa.gob.ni">www.minsa.gob.ni</a>	<a href="http://www.minsa.gob.ni/indexphp?option=com_remository&amp;Itemid=52&amp;func=fileinfo&amp;id=6847">http://www.minsa.gob.ni/indexphp?option=com_remository&amp;Itemid=52&amp;func=fileinfo&amp;id=6847</a>	2011
27	Latin America n & Caribbean	Panama	MINSA	Ministerio de Salud	<a href="http://www.minsa.gob.pa/">http://www.minsa.gob.pa/</a>		
28	Latin America n & Caribbean	Paraguay	MSPBS	Ministerio de Salud Pública y	<a href="http://www.mspbs.gov.py/">http://www.mspbs.gov.py/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/pry_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/pry_2009.pdf</a>	2009



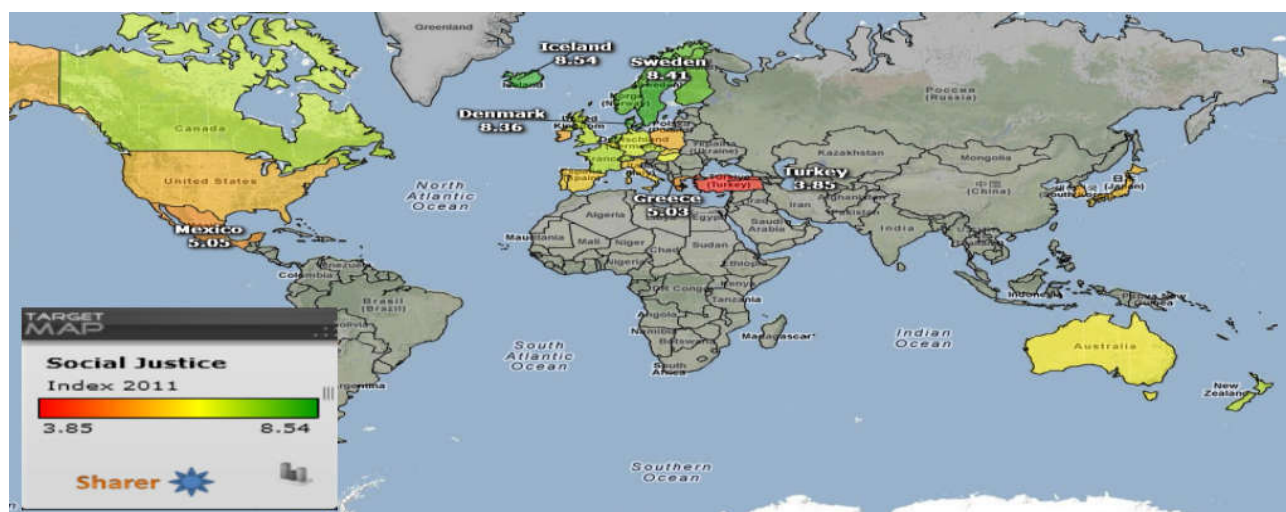
	n			Bienestar Social			
29	Latin America n & Caribbean	Peru	DIGIME D-MINSA	Dirección General de Medicamentos	<a href="http://www.digimed.minsa.gob.pe/">http://www.digimed.minsa.gob.pe/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/PER_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/PER_2010.pdf</a>	2010
30	Latin America n & Caribbean	SaintKittsandNevis		Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.gov.kn/directory?q=moh">http://www.gov.kn/directory?q=moh</a>		
31	Latin America n & Caribbean	SaintLucia		Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.stlucia.gov.lc/">http://www.stlucia.gov.lc/</a>		
32	Latin America n & Caribbean	SaintVincenandtheGrenadines		St. Vincent & the Grenadines Pharmacy Council		<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18854en/s18854en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s18854en/s18854en.pdf</a>	2010
33	Latin America n & Caribbean	Suriname		Pharmaceutical Inspectorate and the Registration committee		<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/countrylists/Suriname_2004.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/countrylists/Suriname_2004.pdf</a>	2004
34	Latin America n & Caribbean	Trinidad&Tobago	CFDD/MOH	Chemistry Food and Drugs Division/Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.health.gov.tt/sitepages/default.aspx?id=93">http://www.health.gov.tt/sitepages/default.aspx?id=93</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/countrylists/Tobago_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/countrylists/Tobago_2010.pdf</a>	2010
35	Latin America n & Caribbean	Turks & Caicos Islands					
36	Latin America n & Caribbean	Uruguay	MSP	Ministerio de Salud Publica. Direccion General de la Salud	<a href="http://www.msp.gub.uy/subcategorias_176_1.html">http://www.msp.gub.uy/subcategorias_176_1.html</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s1871es/s1871es.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s1871es/s1871es.pdf</a>	2011
37	Latin	Venezuela	INHRR			<a href="http://www.who.int/ent">http://www.who.int/ent</a>	2004

	America n & Caribbean		/MPPS	Instituto Nacional de Higiene “Rafael Rangel”/Ministerio de Salud	<a href="http://www.inhrr.gob.v">http://www.inhrr.gob.v</a> e/	<a href="http://www.inhrr.gob.v/selection_medicines/county_lists/ven_2004_medicamentos_esenciales.pdf">ity/sele ction_medicines/count ry_lists/ ven_2004_medicamen tos_esenciales.pdf</a>	
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**OECD-Eurostat:**

Co-operation and Development. Since then, 15 countries have become members of the Organisation.

On 14 December 1960, 20 countries originally signed the Convention on the Organisation for Economic



Sr. No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	OECD - Eurostat	Albania	QKKB	National Drug Control Center	<a href="http://www.qkqb.gov.al/">http://www.qkqb.gov.al/</a>		
2	OECD- Eurostat	Australia	TGA	Australia: Therapeutic Goods Administration	<a href="http://www.tga.gov.au/">http://www.tga.gov.au/</a>		
3	OECD- Eurostat	Austria	MOH	Federal Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.bmgfj.gv.at/">http://www.bmgfj.gv.at/</a>		
4	OECD- Eurostat	Belgium	FAMHP	Federal Agency for Medicines and	<a href="http://www.f">http://www.f</a>		

				Health Products	<a href="http://agg-afmps.be/en/">agg-afmps.be/en/</a>		
5	OECD-Eurostat	Bosnia and Herzegovina					
6	OECD-Eurostat	Bulgaria	BDA	Bulgarian Drug Agency	<a href="http://www.w.bda.bg/">http://www.w.bda.bg/</a>	<a href="http://www.mh.government.bg/Articles.aspx?lang=bg-BG&amp;pageid=384&amp;categoryid=13">http://www.mh.government.bg/Articles.aspx?lang=bg-BG&amp;pageid=384&amp;categoryid=13</a>	2009
7	OECD-Eurostat	Canada	HC	Health Canada	<a href="http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mpps/prod/pharma/index-eng.php">http://www.hc-sc.gc.ca/dhp-mpps/prod/pharma/index-eng.php</a>		
8	OECD-Eurostat	Chile	ANAMED / ISPCH	Agencia nacional de medicamentos	<a href="http://www.ispch.cl/anamed">http://www.ispch.cl/anamed</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/seLECTION/medicines/country_lists/chl/formulario_2005.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/seLECTION/medicines/country_lists/chl/formulario_2005.pdf</a>	2005
9	OECD-Eurostat	Croatia	ALMED	Agency for Medical Products and Medical Devices of Croatia	<a href="http://www.almp.hr/?ln=en&amp;w=oa_age_nc_ji">http://www.almp.hr/?ln=en&amp;w=oa_age_nc_ji</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/seLECTION/medicines/country_lists/hry/2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/seLECTION/medicines/country_lists/hry/2010.pdf</a>	2010
10	OECD-Eurostat	Cyprus	MOH	Ministry of Health - Pharmaceutical Services	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.cy/moh/phs/nsf/dmlindex_en/dmlindex_en?opendocument">http://www.moh.gov.cy/moh/phs/nsf/dmlindex_en/dmlindex_en?opendocument</a>		
11	OECD-Eurostat	Czech Republic	SUKL	State Institute for Drug Control	<a href="http://www.w.sukl.cz/">http://www.w.sukl.cz/</a>		
12	OECD-Eurostat	Denmark	DKMA	Danish Health and Medicines Authority	<a href="http://www.w.dkma.dk">http://www.w.dkma.dk</a>		

					<a href="#">/</a>		
13	OECD-Eurostat	Estonia	SAM	State Agency of Medicines	<a href="http://www.sam.ee/">http://www.sam.ee/</a>		
14	OECD-Eurostat	Finland	FIMEA	Finnish Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.fimea.fi/">http://www.fimea.fi/</a>		
15	OECD-Eurostat	France	ANSM	National Agency for the Safety of Medicine and Health Products	<a href="http://www.ansm.sante.fr">www.ansm.sante.fr</a>		
16	OECD-Eurostat	Germany	BfArM	Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Services and	<a href="http://www.bfarm.de/">http://www.bfarm.de/</a>		
17	OECD-Eurostat	Greece	EOF	National Organization for Medicines	<a href="http://www.eof.gr/web/guest/home">http://www.eof.gr/web/guest/home</a>		
18	OECD-Eurostat	Hungary		Directorate General of National Institute of Pharmacy	<a href="http://www.ogyi.hu/mainpage/">http://www.ogyi.hu/mainpage/</a>		
19	OECD-Eurostat	Iceland	IMCA	Icelandic Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.imca.is/">http://www.imca.is/</a>		
20	OECD-Eurostat	Ireland	IMB	Irish Medicines Board	<a href="http://www.imb.ie/">http://www.imb.ie/</a>		
21	OECD-Eurostat	Israel	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.health.gov.il/English/MinistryUnits/Pages/UnitsList.aspx">http://www.health.gov.il/English/MinistryUnits/Pages/UnitsList.aspx</a>		
22	OECD-Eurostat	Italy	AIFA	Italian Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.agenziafarmaco.it/">http://www.agenziafarmaco.it/</a>		
23	OECD-Eurostat	Japan	PMDA	Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency,	<a href="http://www.pmda.go.jp/english">http://www.pmda.go.jp/english</a>		

				Japan	<a href="#">index.htm</a>		
24	OECD-Eurostat	Korea, Rep.	KFDA	Korea Food & Drug Administration	<a href="http://www.kfda.go.kr/english/">http://www.kfda.go.kr/english/</a>		
25	OECD-Eurostat	Latvia		State Agency of Medicines	<a href="http://www.zva.gov.lv">www.zva.gov.lv</a>		
26	OECD-Eurostat	Lithuania		State Medicines Control Agency	<a href="http://www.vkt.lt/">http://www.vkt.lt/</a>		
27	OECD-Eurostat	Luxembourg	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.ms.etat.lu">www.ms.etat.lu</a>		
28	OECD-Eurostat	Macedonia (Former Yugoslav Republic)				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/mkd_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/mkd_2010.pdf</a>	2010
29	OECD-Eurostat	Malta		Medicines Authority	<a href="http://www.medicinesauthority.gov.mt/">http://www.medicinesauthority.gov.mt/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/mlt/Medicinelist_April08.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/mlt/Medicinelist_April08.pdf</a>	2008
30	OECD-Eurostat	Mexico	COFEPRIS	Comisión Federal para la Protección contra Riesgos Sanitarios / Secretaría de	<a href="http://www.cofepris.gob.mx/">http://www.cofepris.gob.mx/</a>	<a href="http://www.cs.g.salud.gob.mx/descargas/pdf/cuadro_basico/medicamentos/medicamentos_e">http://www.cs.g.salud.gob.mx/descargas/pdf/cuadro_basico/medicamentos/medicamentos_e</a>	2010
31	OECD-Eurostat	Montenegro		Agency for Medical Products and Medical Devices	<a href="http://sntcg.com/ulms/">http://sntcg.com/ulms/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/Montenegro2011.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/election/medicines/country_lists/Montenegro2011.pdf</a>	2011
32	OECD-Eurostat	Netherlands, The	MEB	Medicines Evaluation Board	<a href="http://www.cbg-meb.nl/cbg/en/">http://www.cbg-meb.nl/cbg/en/</a>		
33	OECD-Eurostat	New Zealand	MEDSAFE	Medicines and Medical Devices Safety	<a href="http://www.medsafe.gov">http://www.medsafe.gov</a>		

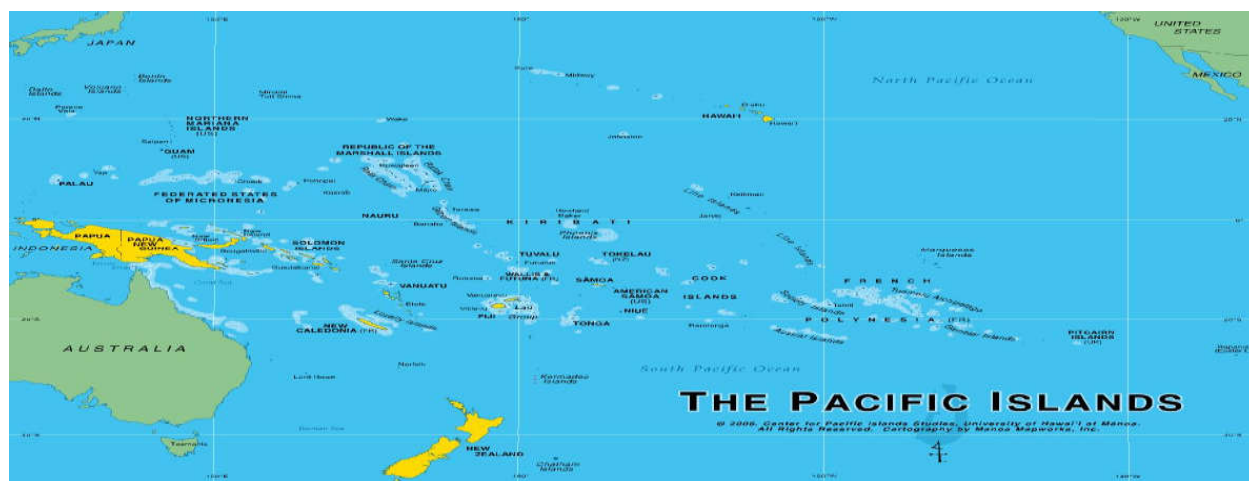
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34	OECD-Eurostat	Norway		Norwegian Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.legemiddelverket.no">www.legemiddelverket.no</a>		
35	OECD-Eurostat	Poland		Office for Registration of Medicinal Products, Medical Devices and Biocidal	<a href="http://www.urpl.gov.pl">www.urpl.gov.pl</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/Poland_EML_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/Poland_EML_2009.pdf</a>	2009
36	OECD-Eurostat	Portugal	INFARMED	National Authority of Medicines and Health Products	<a href="http://www.infarmed.pt/">http://www.infarmed.pt/</a>		
37	OECD-Eurostat	Romania	ANM	National Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.anm.ro/en/home.html">http://www.anm.ro/en/home.html</a>		
38	OECD-Eurostat	Russian Federation		Federal Service for Supervision of Health	<a href="http://www.roszdravnadzor.ru/">http://www.roszdravnadzor.ru/</a>	Not available online	
39	OECD-Eurostat	Serbia		Medicines and Medical Devices Agency of Serbia	<a href="http://www.aims.gov.rs/">http://www.aims.gov.rs/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/SRB_full_y_covered_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/SRB_full_y_covered_2010.pdf</a>	2010
40	OECD-Eurostat	Slovakia	SIDC	State Institute for Drug Control	<a href="http://www.sukl.sk/en">http://www.sukl.sk/en</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/Slovakia_EML_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/Slovakia_EML_2010.pdf</a>	2010
41	OECD-Eurostat	Slovenia	JAZMP	Public Agency for Medical Products and Medical Devices	<a href="http://www.jazmp.si/index.php?id=56">http://www.jazmp.si/index.php?id=56</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/svn_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/s election medicines/country lists/svn_2010.pdf</a>	2010
42	OECD-		AEMPS	Spanish Agency of			

	Eurostat	Spain		Medicines and Health Products	<a href="http://www.aemps.gob.es">www.aemps.gob.es</a>		
43	OECD-Eurostat	Sweden	MPA	Medical Products Agency	<a href="http://www.lakemedelsverket.se/english/">http://www.lakemedelsverket.se/english/</a>	<a href="http://www.janusinfo.se/Global/Kloka%20listan/Kloka%20listan%202011.pdf">http://www.janusinfo.se/Global/Kloka%20listan/Kloka%20listan%202011.pdf</a>	2011
44	OECD-Eurostat	Switzerland		SwissMedic	<a href="http://www.swissmedic.ch/index.html?lang=en">http://www.swissmedic.ch/index.html?lang=en</a>		
45	OECD-Eurostat	Turkey	MOH	Ministry of Health of Turkey, General Directorate of Pharmaceuticals and	<a href="http://www.ieg.gov.tr/">http://www.ieg.gov.tr/</a>		
46	OECD-Eurostat	United Kingdom	MHRA	Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency	<a href="http://www.mhra.gov.uk/index.htm">http://www.mhra.gov.uk/index.htm</a>		
47	OECD-Eurostat	United States	FDA	Food and Drug Administration	<a href="http://www.fda.gov/">http://www.fda.gov/</a>		

**PACIFIC ISLANDS<sup>1,2,7,8</sup>:**

The Pacific Islands are the islands of the Pacific Ocean. Three major groups of islands in the Pacific Ocean are Polynesia, Micronesia and Melanesia.

Depending on the context, *Pacific Islands* may refer to countries and islands with common Austronesian origins, islands once or currently colonized, or Oceania.



Sr.No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency / Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Pacific Islands	American Samoa					
2	Pacific Islands	Commonwealth of Mariana Islands					
3	Pacific Islands	Cook Islands				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cok_eml_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/cok_eml_2007.pdf</a>	2007
4	Pacific Islands	Federal States of Micronesia					
5	Pacific Islands	Fiji	IRA	Inspectorate & Regulatory Authority	<a href="http://www.health.gov.fj/ira.html#T7fIR8WznX0">http://www.health.gov.fj/ira.html#T7fIR8WznX0</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/fji_formulary_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/fji_formulary_2006.pdf</a>	2006
6	Pacific Islands	French Polynesia					
7	Pacific Islands	Guam					
8	Pacific Islands	Kiribati				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/kir_EDL_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/kir_EDL_2009.pdf</a>	2009
9	Pacific Islands	Marshall Islands				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mhl_Hospital_Drug_Formulary_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/mhl_Hospital_Drug_Formulary_2007.pdf</a>	2007
10	Pacific Islands	Nauru				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/nru_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/nru_2010.pdf</a>	2010
11	Pacific	New					



	Islands	Caledonia					
12	Pacific Islands	Niue				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/niu_EDL_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/niu_EDL_2006.pdf</a>	2006
13	Pacific Islands	Palau				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/plw_Formulary_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/plw_Formulary_2006.pdf</a>	2006
14	Pacific Islands	Papua New Guinea				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/png_eml_2002.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/png_eml_2002.pdf</a>	2002
15	Pacific Islands	Samoa					
16	Pacific Islands	Solomon Islands				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/slb_eml_2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/slb_eml_2010.pdf</a>	2010
17	Pacific Islands	Tokelau					
18	Pacific Islands	Tonga				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/ton_STG_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/ton_STG_2007.pdf</a>	2007
19	Pacific Islands	Tuvalu				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/tuv_Eml_2008.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/tuv_Eml_2008.pdf</a>	2008
20	Pacific Islands	Vanuatu				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/vut_edl_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection/medicines/country/lists/vut_edl_2007.pdf</a>	2007
21	Pacific Islands	Wallis and Futuna					

### SINGLETON COUNTRIES<sup>1,2,9,10</sup>:

Iran and Georgia have had relations for millennia, although official diplomatic relations between the two nations in the 20th century were established on

May 15, 1992. Georgia is represented by its embassy in Tehran, while Iran has its representative embassy in Tbilisi. Iran is an important trade partner of Georgia.



Sr.No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Singleton Countries	Iran	MOHME	Ministry of Health and Medical Education	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.iq/english/index.php">http://www.moh.gov.iq/english/index.php</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entit/y/selection_medicines/country_lists/irm_EDL_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entit/y/selection_medicines/country_lists/irm_EDL_2009.pdf</a>	2009
2	Singleton Countries	Georgia	GDNA	Georgia Drugs and Narcotics Agency	<a href="http://gdna.georgia.gov/02/gdna/home/0.2803.132319894.00.html">http://gdna.georgia.gov/02/gdna/home/0.2803.132319894.00.html</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19025en/s19025en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19025en/s19025en.pdf</a>	2007

**WESTERN ASIA<sup>1,2,11</sup>:**

Western Asia is located directly south of Eastern Europe. The region is surrounded by seven major seas; the Aegean Sea, the Black Sea, the Caspian Sea, the Persian Gulf, the Arabian Sea, the Red Sea, and the Mediterranean Sea.

To the north, the region is delimited from Europe by the Caucasus Mountains, to the southwest, it is delimited from Africa by the Isthmus of Suez, while to the east, the region adjoins Central Asia and South Asia.

The Dasht-e Kavir and Dasht-e Lut deserts in eastern Iran naturally delimit the region somewhat from Asia itself.



Sr. No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Western Asia	Bahrain		Ministry of Health: Pharmaceutical and Drug Control Directory	<a href="https://www.moi.gov.bh/MoICEn/MoIC+Centers/BahrainInvestorsCenter/Licensing+Authorities/MinistryOfHealth/PharmacyandDrug+ontrolDirectorate/">https://www.moi.gov.bh/MoICEn/MoIC+Centers/BahrainInvestorsCenter/Licensing+Authorities/MinistryOfHealth/PharmacyandDrug+ontrolDirectorate/</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19536en/s19536en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19536en/s19536en.pdf</a>	2009
2	Western Asia	Egypt	EDA	Egyptian Drug Authority	<a href="http://www.eda.mohp.gov.eg/">http://www.eda.mohp.gov.eg/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/EGY_EML_2006.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/select_ion_medicines/country_lists/EGY_EML_2006.pdf</a>	2006
3	Western Asia	Iraq		Directorate of Technical Affairs in the Ministry of Health		<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17416e/s17416e.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s17416e/s17416e.pdf</a>	2010
4	Western Asia	Jordan	JFDA	Jordan Food and Drug	<a href="http://www.jfda.jo/Default.as">http://www.jfda.jo/Default.as</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs</a>	2011

				Administration	<a href="#">px</a>	<a href="#">s/documents/s19466en/s19466en.pdf</a>	
5	Western Asia	Kuwait					
6	Western Asia	Oman	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.om/en/nv_menu.php?o=pharma/regulation.htm">http://www.moh.gov.om/en/nv_menu.php?o=pharma/regulation.htm</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/omn_EDL_2009.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/omn_EDL_2009.pdf</a>	2009
7	Western Asia	Qatar		Supreme council of Health	<a href="http://www.sch.gov.qa/sch/En/index.jsp?CSRT=1771033841318736163">http://www.sch.gov.qa/sch/En/index.jsp?CSRT=1771033841318736163</a>		
8	Western Asia	Saudi Arabia	SFDA	Saudi food and Drug Authority	<a href="http://www.sfd.gov.sa/">http://www.sfd.gov.sa/</a>	<a href="#">Not Available online.</a>	
9	Western Asia	Sudan	NMPB	National Medicines and Poisons Board	<a href="http://www.nmpb.gov.sd">http://www.nmpb.gov.sd</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/sdn_eml_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/sdn_eml_2007.pdf</a>	2007
10	Western Asia	United Arab Emirates	MOH	Ministry of Health	<a href="http://www.moh.gov.ae/en/Pages/431.aspx">http://www.moh.gov.ae/en/Pages/431.aspx</a>		
11	Western Asia	West bank & Gaza					
12	Western Asia	Yemen		Supreme Board for Drugs & Medical Appliances	<a href="http://www.sbd-ye.org/">http://www.sbd-ye.org/</a>	<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/yem_EDL_FINAL_2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection_medicines/country_lists/yem_EDL_FINAL_2007.pdf</a>	2007

**Non- ICP Countries<sup>1,2</sup>:**

Sr.No	Region	Country	Medicines Agency/ Authority Acronym	Medicines Agency / Authority	Website	Essential Medicines list	Essential Medicines list year
1	Wester	Afghanistan				<a href="http://www.who.int/e">http://www.who.int/e</a>	2007

	n Asia					<a href="#">ntity/selection medicines/country list /AFG EML 07.pdf</a>	
2	Western Asia	Lebanon	MOPH	Ministry of Public Health	<a href="http://ww.moph.gov.lb/Pages/Home.aspx">http://ww.moph.gov.lb/Pages/Home.aspx</a>	<a href="http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19535en/s19535en.pdf">http://apps.who.int/medicinedocs/documents/s19535en/s19535en.pdf</a>	2010
3	Asia & Pacific	DRP Korea				<a href="http://ww.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/prk eml.pdf">http://ww.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/prk eml.pdf</a>	
4	Asia & Pacific	Democratic Re Public of Timor Leste				<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/tls eml 2004.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/tls eml 2004.pdf</a>	2004
5	OECD – Eurostat	Andorra	MOH	Ministry of Health and Welfare	<a href="http://www.salutibenestar.ad">http://www.salutibenestar.ad</a>		
6	OECD-Eurostat	Kosovo	KMA	Kosovo Medicines Agency	<a href="http://www.k-ma.org">http://www.k-ma.org</a>		
7	OECD-Eurostat	Liechtenstein		Office of Health – Department of Pharmaceuticals	<a href="http://www.llv.li">www.llv.li</a>		
8	Western Asia	Syrian Arab Republic				<a href="http://www.who.int/selection medicines/country lists/SYRNML 08.pdf">http://www.who.int/selection medicines/country lists/SYRNML 08.pdf</a>	2008
9	Western Asia	Somalia				<a href="http://www.who.int/selection medicines/country lists/som stg2007.pdf">http://www.who.int/selection medicines/country lists/som stg2007.pdf</a>	2006
10	Africa	Eritrea		Department of Regulatory Services		<a href="http://www.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/eri eml 2010.pdf">http://www.who.int/entity/selection medicines/country lists/eri eml 2010.pdf</a>	2010

**CONCLUSION:**

In this article the world was divided in as ICP and NON-ICP countries. In these countries are given based on region wide. This article gives the

information about individual country regulatory authority and its official websites to search about any marketing authorization procedures , their guidelines ,to check the market need about drugs and cosmetics.

This articles also gives information about essential medical list and their published year. This article reduces the time of people to search websites, authorities of different countries. In this article we clearly mention the medical list any one can search

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