

Technical Workshop on Medicine Access under NHI

Selection, Pricing and Procurement

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What is this Technical Workshop about?

- In introducing the NHI Bill, the South African government has stated that it wants to ensure that:
 - No one is deprived of their right to access healthcare because of their socio-economic status;
 - A single public health fund is created that has enough resources to plan for and effectively meet the health needs of the entire population, not just a select few; and
 - Universal Health Coverage (UHC) is achieved.

Speakers

- Fatima Hassan Health Justice Initiative



- Inez Naidu – Discovery Health



- Andy Gray, Discipline of Pharmaceutical Sciences, UKZN



Figure Major policies, legislation and regulations affecting medicine pricing



Source: DNA Economics

2021-2022: Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Portfolio Committee invites select stakeholders to make virtual e-presentations.

2022: Virtual stakeholder parliamentary presentations are concluded and deliberations on the NHI Bill by the Portfolio Committee on Health had commenced.

2023: The NHI Bill with amendments published by the Portfolio Committee in the National Assembly. It has to be considered by both the National Assembly and the National Council of Provinces in Parliament).