

Review of the National Medicines Policy

Stakeholder Webinar
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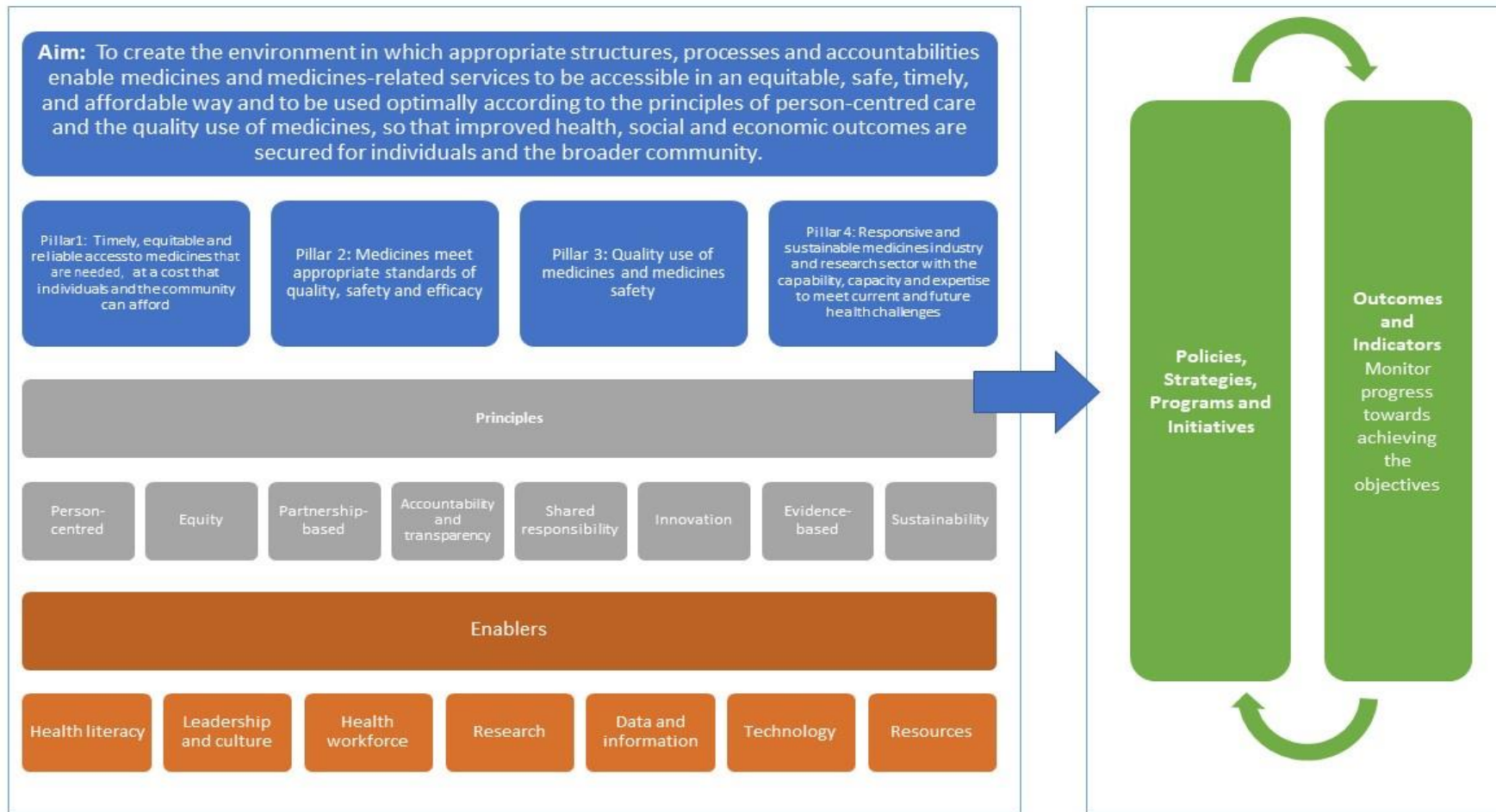


Welcome and Acknowledgement of Country

Overview of webinar

- **Introductions** and an overview of the Webinar and ‘what’s new’ in the draft Policy.
- **Section 1.** A summary of the sections of the policy related to the Aim, Scope, Principles and Enablers, Governance (including partners) followed by a discussion.
- **Section 2.** A summary of the four central Pillars followed by an open discussion on the pillars.
- **Section 3.** A summary of the Implementation and Evaluation Sections followed by a discussion.
- **Section 4.** Open feedback on the whole draft Policy.

A summary: Australia's NMP



Aim, Scope, Principles, Enablers and Governance

Aim of the National Medicines Policy

- To create the environment in which appropriate structures, processes and accountabilities enable medicines and medicines-related services to be accessible in an equitable, safe, timely, and affordable way and to be used optimally according to the principles of person-centred care and the quality use of medicines, so that improved health, social and economic outcomes are secured for individuals and the broader community.

Scope of the National Medicines Policy

- The term 'medicine' covers a broad range of products that are used to prevent, treat, monitor, or cure a disease.
- These products include prescription medicines, over-the-counter medicines and complementary/traditional medicines and encompass biologic and non-biologic medicines, including gene therapies, cell and tissue engineered products and vaccines.
- Broad scope – to ensure that that the policy is adaptive and responsive to new and emerging treatment options.

Principles of the National Medicines Policy

Person-centred

Equity

Partnership-based

Accountability and Transparency

Shared responsibility

Innovation

Evidence-based

Sustainability

Enablers of the National Medicines Policy

Health literacy

Leadership and culture

Health workforce

Research

Data and information

Technology

Resources

Governance

- The Policy describes a governance approach that is focused on co-ordination and shared problem solving and accountability.



Q&A



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Central Pillars



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- Timely, equitable and reliable access to needed medicines at a cost that individuals and the community can afford.
- Medicines meet appropriate standards of quality, safety and efficacy.
- Quality use of medicines and medicines safety; and
- Responsive and sustainable medicines industry and research sector with the capability, capacity and expertise to meet current and future health challenges.

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Implementation and Evaluation

Implementation

- The NMP functions as a co-ordinating framework that sets out the Pillars and intended outcomes for all partners to work towards.

Evaluation

- Australia's NMP describes the intended outcomes that the partners should collectively strive to achieve.
- The monitoring and evaluation of the collective progress towards the intended outcomes will enable the acknowledgement of achievements and identification of emerging priorities.

Q&A



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Open Feedback

General Discussion on the Draft Policy



Session Close

- Consultation survey – available on the Department's Consultation Hub.
 - Closes 2 March 2022
- This survey is the final round of consultation