Monitoring Medicines

The project aims to strengthen the knowledge and science about medicines and their use, by making that knowledge accessible to all stakeholders. It is a collaborative effort that attempts to reduce mortality and morbidity caused by adverse drug effects of medicines.

Goal

- Supporting and empowering patients in reporting medicine-related problems
- Guide pharmacovigilance centres in collecting problems related to medication errors
- Achieve better use of existing global pharmacovigilance data
- Develop active and targeted pharmacovigilance systems

Motivation

To develop and provide operational support for the expanding scope of pharmacovigilance

Our role

We delivered the following:
- Coordination and management of the consortium
- Handbook on systems for consumer reporting
- Web based system for consumer reporting of ADRs
- Methodology to identify, analyze and prevent medication errors
- Methodology for detecting drug dependence in spontaneous ADR databases
- Methodology for detecting substandard or falsified medicines
- Handbook on pharmacovigilance of medicines used for tuberculosis
- Web-based data management tool for Cohort Event Monitoring
- Web-based database on risks of HIV/AIDS medicines with risk assessment tools

Partners

- Copenhagen HIV Programme, Denmark
- University of Ghana Medical School
- Pharmacy and Poisons Board, Kenya
- Centre Anti Poison et de Pharmacovigilance du Maroc
- Lareb, Netherlands Pharmacovigilance Centre
- Zuellig Family Foundation, the Philippines
- Medical Products Agency, Sweden
- Elliot Brown Consulting Limited, UK
• National Patient Safety Agency, UK
• World Health Organization
• Uppsala Monitoring Centre (UMC), Sweden (the overall project co-ordinator)