

Public Sector

Ministry of Finance



Introduction

The Ministry of Finance (MOF) typically determines budget allocations for all government functions, including the health system, and also determines tariffs on imports, including medical equipment, products and drugs. In some countries, the MOF also regulates insurance. Depending on the scope and objectives of the assessment, the team may want to interview relevant MOF officials, especially those involved in budgeting.

Questions

- What is the budgeting process and cycle?
- What is the process to decide what the pricing of medicines should be?
- Are there government controls on pricing to ensure access for the poor?
- If so, how are these developed?
- How are tariffs on medicines agreed upon?
- What are the different types of tariffs?
- Are medicine manufacturers taxed differently from manufacturers of other products?