COUNTERFEIT MEDICINES IN LEGITIMATE

SUPPLY CHAINS





Improvements in surveillance, including detection of security breaches, data collection, analysis, and dissemination are urgently needed to address the public health need to combat the global counterfeit medicines trade

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CONCLUSIONS:

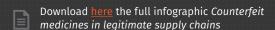
Three key needs emerged from this study:

- greater consistency, standardization and robust data collection for analysis,
- enhanced reporting by countries,
- > increased details in the reports.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

- development and coordination of a "single point of contact" system comprised of relevant country authorities to conduct surveillance and reporting counterfeit incidents to a central global system,
- development of a "graded best practices" set of guidelines supporting ongoing training, capacity building, technical assistance, data sharing, and partnership. These guidelines should be developed in cooperation with regulatory authorities, law enforcement, customs, pharmaceutical companies, academic institutions, and other stakeholders.





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