

EXECUTIVE BOARD 136th session Agenda item 10.6

Principles for global consensus on the donation and management of blood and other medical products of human origin

Draft decision proposed by the delegations of Italy, Lithuania, Malta, Slovenia and Spain

The Executive Board,

Having considered the report of the Secretariat on blood and other medical products of human origin,

- (PP1) Recalled the guiding principles on the safety, quality and availability of blood and blood products supported by the World Health Assembly, through resolutions WHA28.72, WHA58.13 and WHA63.12, as well as the WHO Guiding Principles on Human organ and tissue transplantation endorsed in resolution WHA63.22;
- (PP2) Noted that several medical products of human origin (MPHO), which are intended for human clinical application, have significant commonalities as to sharing some characteristics inherent to their human origin;
- (PP3) Recognized that protection of the donor is a prerequisite in order to meet the needs of patients for access to safe MPHO, which is of high importance in the context of universal health coverage;
 - (PP4) Acknowledged that MPHO may raise safety issues for donors and recipients;
- (PP5) Recognized that global consensus on the donation and management of MPHO intended for human clinical application, based on good governance mechanisms, is needed in order to protect the fundamental human rights of donors;
- (PP6) Recognized that common standards to guarantee quality and safety of MPHO and to ensure traceability, vigilance, surveillance and equitable access to these products are essential for the well-being of recipients;

(PP7) Request the Director-General to convene consultations with Member States and international partners, to support the development of global consensus on guiding ethical principles for the donation and management of the mentioned MPHO; good governance mechanisms; and common tools to ensure quality, safety and traceability, as well as equitable access and availability as applicable, to result in a document to be submitted, when appropriate, to the World Health Assembly for consideration.

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