



The German Action Plan on Medication Safety

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WHO Session | Panel

“Towards eliminating avoidable harm in health care: Implementing the Global Patient Safety Action Plan 2021-2030”

Session chair

- **Neelam Dhingra** (Unit Head, Patient Safety Flagship, WHO, Geneva, Switzerland)

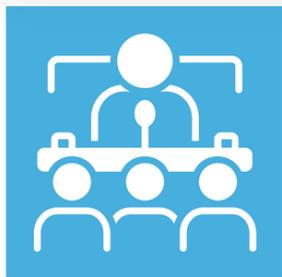
Presenters/Speakers

- **Sir Liam Donaldson** (WHO Patient Safety Envoy, UK)
- **Aidan Fowler** (National Director of Patient Safety in England, Department of Health and Social Care, London, UK)
- **Rosey Benneyworth** (Interim Chief Investigator, Healthcare Safety Investigation Branch, UK)
- **Evelyn Dinah Nelima Wesangula** (Senior Antimicrobial Resistance Control Officer, East Central and Southern Africa Health community (ESC-HC))
- **Piyawan Limpanyalert** (CEO, The Healthcare Accreditation Institute, Bangkok, Thailand)
- **Birgit Vogt** (Bundesärztekammer, Scientific Secretary of the Coordination Group for the Implementation of the Action Plan AMTS, GER)



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World Congress of Basic & Clinical Pharmacology in Glasgow



The WHO 3rd safety challenge “Medication without harm”

Chair(s):

Prof. Caroline Samer
Chair, IUPHAR Clinical Division, Geneva,
Switzerland
Dr Nikhil Prakash Gupta, Technical Officer, Patient
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Session description:

WHO third Global Patient Safety Challenge: *Medication Without Harm*

Dr Nikhil Prakash Gupta
Technical Officer, Patient Safety Flagship Unit, WHO-HQ, Geneva, Switzerland

Implementation of the Challenge in the United Kingdom

Tony Jamieson
Patient Safety Specialist & Clinical Improvement Lead, Medicines Safety Improvement Programme,
United Kingdom

Achievements of the Challenge on 'Medication without Harm Challenge' in Germany

Birgit Vogt
Specialist Pharmacist, German Medical Association, Germany

Priorities for LMIC's on Medication safety: focusing on experience from Sri Lanka

Professor Priyadarshani Galappaththy
Professor of Pharmacology, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka

Plans for monitoring and evaluation of the medication safety activities in Denmark

Inge Kirstensen
Director, Danish Society for patient safety, Denmark

How do the initiatives interact?



Global Patient Safety Action Plan 2021-2030

<https://www.who.int/publications/i/item/9789240032705>

„Medication Without Harm“

<https://www.who.int/patientsafety/medication-safety/strategic-framework.pdf>

German Action Plan on Medication Safety

<https://www.akdae.de/amts/aktionsplan/aktionsplan-2021-2024>

Framework for Action - The 7x5 Matrix

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| 1 | Public to eliminate avoidable harm to health care | 1.1 Patient safety policy, strategy and implementation framework | 1.2 Resource availability and allocation | 1.3 Incident response measures | 1.4 Safety standards, guidelines and accreditation | 1.5 Multi-layered safety for and global patient safety challenges |
| 2 | High-reliability systems | 2.1 Hierarchical systems and no-blame culture | 2.2 Good governance for the health system | 2.3 Leadership capacity for clinical and managerial functions | 2.4 Patient safety culture for health systems | 2.5 Patient safety assessment and review of systems elements |
| 3 | Safety of clinical practices | 3.1 Safety of not given clinical practices | 3.2 Clinical practice safety culture (medication withdrawal) | 3.3 Evidence generation and validation, educational and practice | 3.4 Safety of newly developed, modified and repackaged medicines | 3.5 Patient safety assessment and review of systems elements |
| 4 | Interest and trade engagement | 4.1 Co-development of policies and programmes with patients | 4.2 Learning from patient experience for safety improvement | 4.3 Patient education and patient safety champions | 4.4 Patient safety focus in education and practice | 4.5 International and national patient safety networks and bodies |
| 5 | Health worker education, skills and safety | 5.1 National safety education and training | 5.2 System of incentives for patient safety education and training | 5.3 National safety competence for regulatory professionals | 5.4 Learning patient safety with special interest of health workers | 5.5 Life working programmes for health workers |
| 6 | Information research and risk management | 6.1 Patient safety incident reporting and learning systems | 6.2 Patient safety information systems | 6.3 Patient safety surveillance systems | 6.4 Patient safety research programmes | 6.5 Digital technology for patient safety |
| 7 | Systems, performance and safety | 7.1 Systemic vulnerabilities and hazard assessment | 7.2 Common (interconnected) and shared components | 7.3 Hazard safety networks and collaboration | 7.4 Cross-jurisdictional and multi-sector initiatives for patient safety | 7.5 Alignment with technical programmes and solutions |

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Bundesministerium für Gesundheit

ARZNEIMITTELKOMMISSION DER DEUTSCHEN ÄRZTESCHAFT

Aktionsplan 2021–2024
des Bundesministeriums für Gesundheit
zur Verbesserung der Arzneimitteltherapiesicherheit
in Deutschland

– Aktionsplan AMTS 2021 – 2024 –

Bonn, 4. Februar 2021



Common objectives of the programs

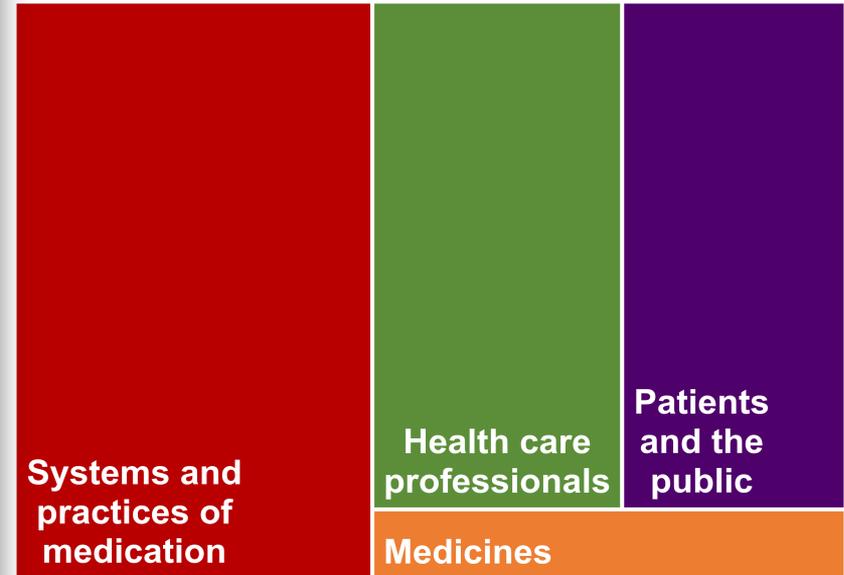
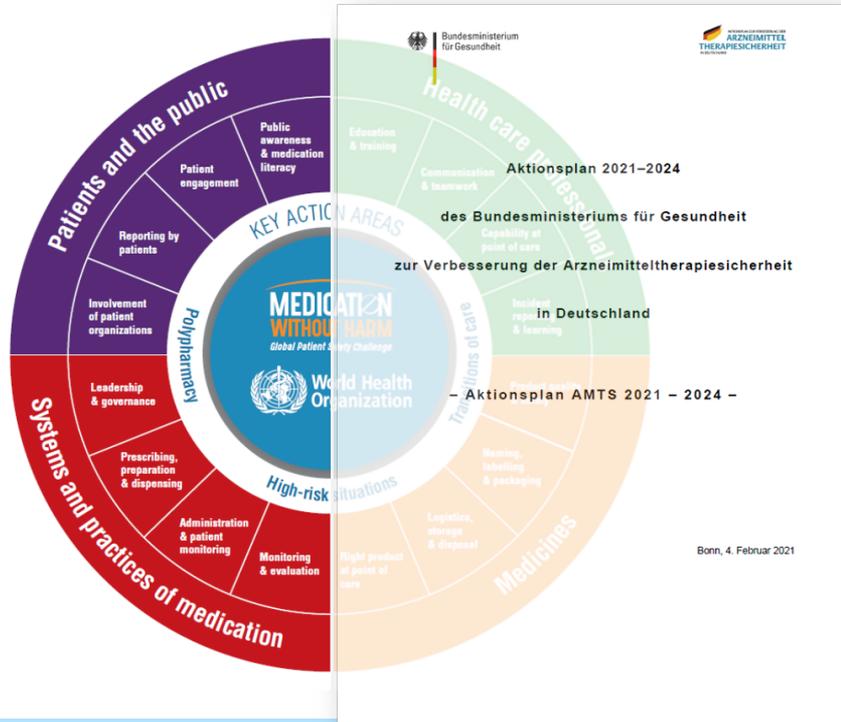


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<https://www.who.int/patientsafety/medication-safety/strategic-framework.pdf>

- Raising awareness among professionals and the public
- Improving information on medicines
- Developing strategies for risk prevention
- Optimising the medication process
- Promoting research in the field of medication safety
- Continuously developing the Action Plan

The proportion of domains in the Action Plan

Focus on the medication process



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Coordination Group at federal level

Leadership & governance | Involvement of patient organizations



Key stakeholders, partners and representatives of the ...

Federal Ministry of Health



Physicians



Pharmacists



Nursing professions



Hospitals



Patient organizations



Patient safety associations



Health insurance



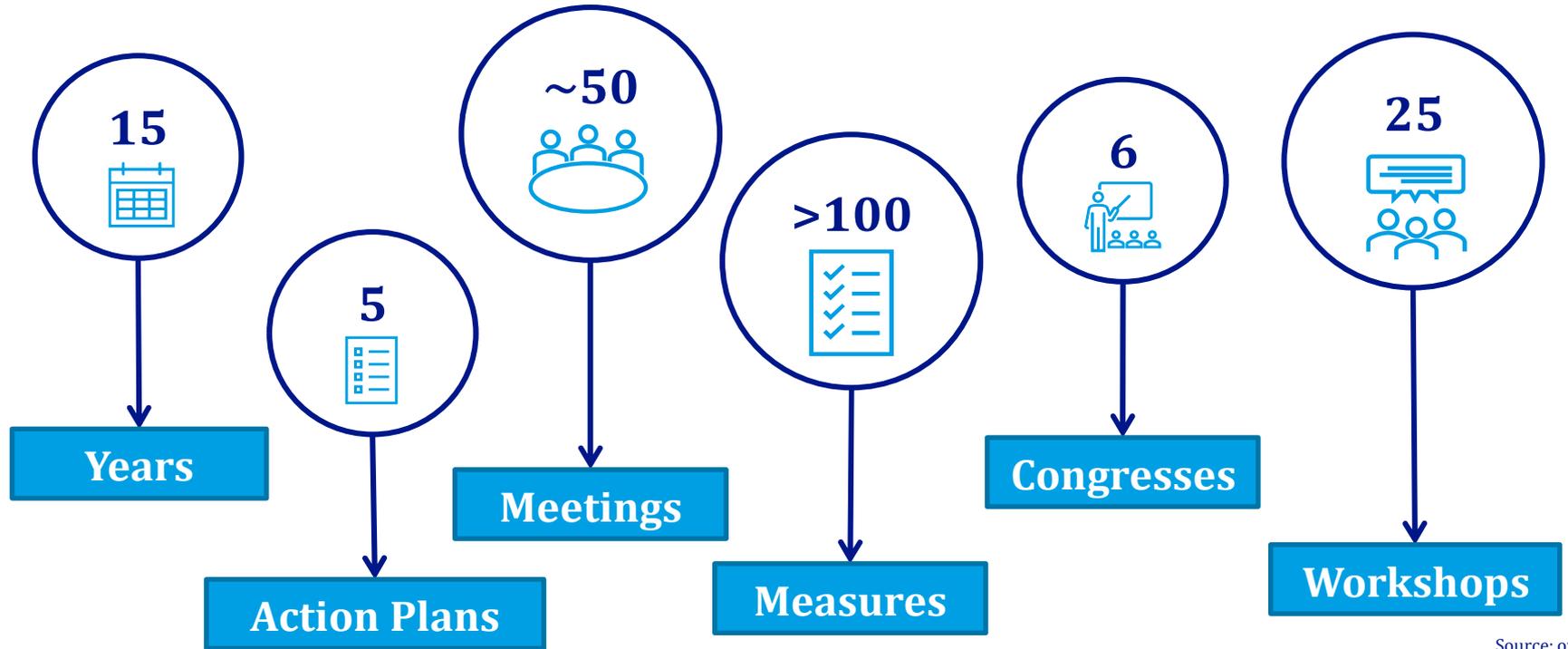
Medical associations



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Achievements since 2007 | Quantitative perspective

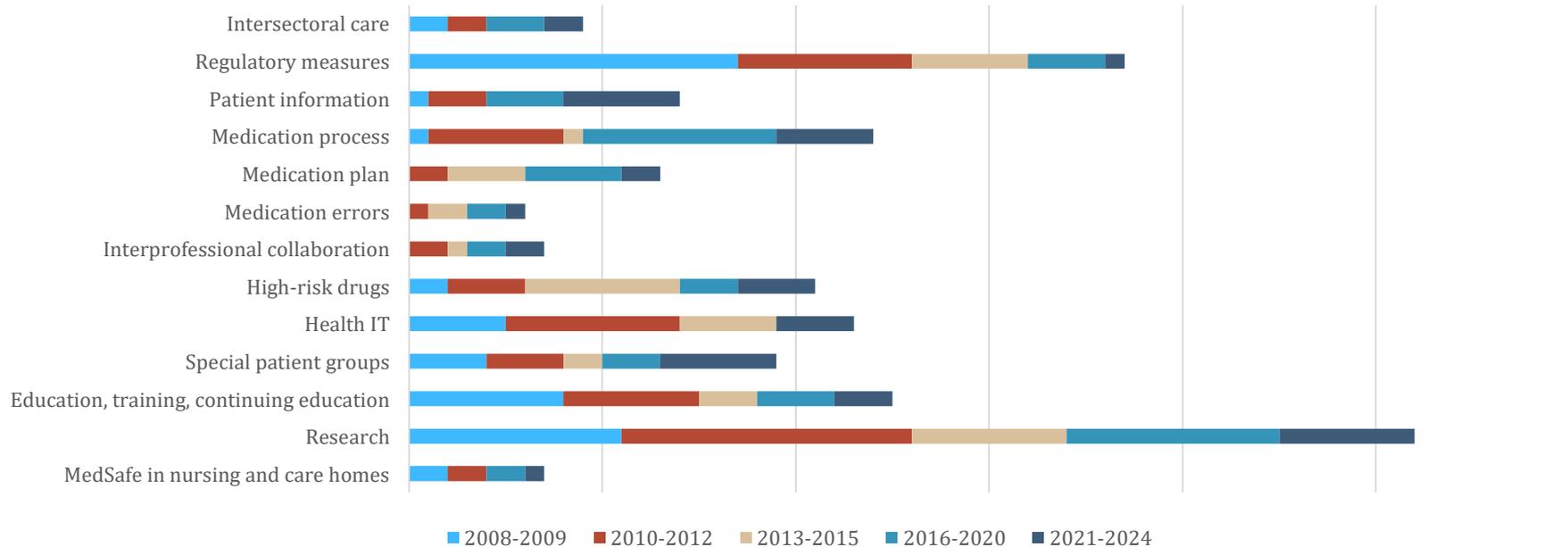


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Achievements since 2007 | Qualitative perspective



Key topics of the Action Plans



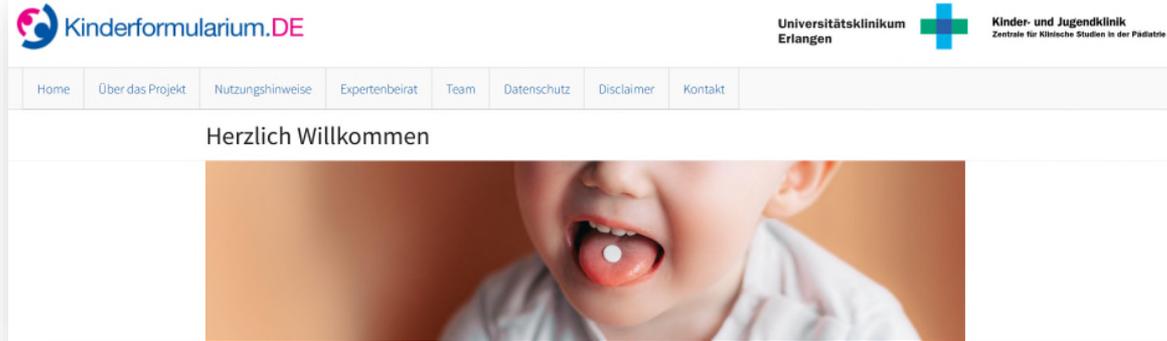
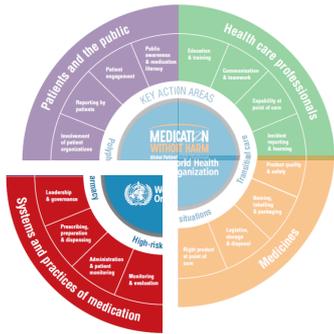
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Highlights of the current Action Plan

SELECTED EXAMPLES OF MEASURES

Database on the dosage of medicines for children

Prescribing, preparation & dispensing



Evidence-based information on the use of medicines in children and adolescents

- Marketing authorization and preparations, pharmacodynamics and pharmacokinetics, similar active substances
- Dosage recommendations, renal dysfunction, overdose
- Adverse drug reactions, contraindications, warnings, precautions
- Drug interactions

https://www.kinderformularium.de/sign_in/startseite

Workshop on the recording of medication errors centrally

Incident reporting & learning



Workshop in 2022:

- Networking of organizations and initiatives documenting medication errors in healthcare:
- Federal Institute for Drugs and Medical Devices (BfArM)
- Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI)
- Drug Commission of the German Medical Association (DCGMA)
- Drug Commission of German Pharmacists (AMK)
- Poison information centers of the federal states (GIZ)
- Institutions and projects that provide reporting, documentation and learning systems within the framework of risk management
- Analyzing medication errors in pharmacovigilance systems
- Review article in progress

Interprofessional Medication Safety Master Program Education & Training | Communication & Teamwork



Launch October 2022

Cooperation of 

- University of Bonn
- University of Heidelberg
- University of Tübingen



Qualification objectives of the Master's program

- Increase the medication safety competences and the interprofessional networking of the graduates
- Analyze structures relevant to medication safety
- Control medication safety relevant processes
- Develop and implement solutions for medication safety relevant problems in the interprofessional team

<https://www.klinische-pharmazie.uni-bonn.de/m-sc-amts/de>

Impact on the Health Care Sector



Patient Safety Tool



Competent Authorities



Health Professions Education



Research on Medication Safety



Digitalization in Healthcare



Interprofessional Cooperation

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Save the Date – 24.-25. Oktober 2024, Berlin



6th German Congress for Patient Safety in drug therapy

*Keep the date free already now –
We are looking forward to seeing you!*

More information at:

<https://www.patientensicherheit2024.de/>

6. Deutscher Kongress für Patientensicherheit bei medikamentöser Therapie

24. – 25. Oktober 2024 | Langenbeck-Virchow-Haus | Berlin, Deutschland



Save the Date
24.–25. Oktober 2024, Berlin

Einladung

Sehr geehrte Damen und Herren,

vor mehr als 15 Jahren wurde der „Aktionsplan zur Verbesserung der Arzneimittelsicherheit in Deutschland“ vom Bundesministerium für Gesundheit ins Leben gerufen, um die folgenden Fragen zu analysieren: Wie gehen wir mit Fehlern um, wie können wir gemeinsam aus Fehlern lernen und vor allem – wie können wir Medikationsfehler künftig vermeiden, um die Arzneimitteltherapie für unsere Patientinnen und Patienten sicherer zu machen?

Seit dem letzten Kongress im Jahr 2018 hat sich viel ereignet, nicht nur im Bereich der Digitalisierung! Wir laden Sie herzlich ein, gemeinsam auf dem „6. Deutschen Kongress für Patientensicherheit bei medikamentöser Therapie“ einen Blick auf bereits Erreichtes zu werfen und Lösungsansätze für noch bestehende und zukünftige Herausforderungen aus multidisziplinärer Perspektive zu diskutieren.

Halten Sie sich den Termin schon jetzt frei – Wir freuen uns auf Sie!

Mit freundlichen Grüßen

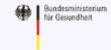


Prof. Dr. Petra Thürmann
Kongresspräsidentin



Prof. Dr. Wolf-Dieter Ludwig
Kongresspräsident

gefördert durch



aufgrund eines Beschlusses des Deutschen Bundestags.

Wichtige Termine

24.–25. Oktober 2024
6. Deutscher Kongress für Patientensicherheit bei medikamentöser Therapie

Veranstalter



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Thank you for your attention!



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