

MEDICRIME Convention

On 28 October 2011 in Moscow, the MEDICRIME Convention was opened for signature. 10 years later remains the only criminal-law instrument on counterfeiting of medical products and similar crimes



- **18 States have ratified the MEDICRIME Convention**
(14 Council of Europe member States and 4 non member States)
- **Other 18 States have signed it**
(12 Council of Europe member States and 6 non member States)

The purpose of this Convention is to prevent and combat threats to public health by:



Prosecuting the counterfeiting of medical products



Protecting the rights of victims



Promoting national and international co-operation



The Committee of the Parties is composed by **members**, representatives of the Parties to the Convention, **participants** and **observers**

MEDICRIME COMMITTEE INITIATIVES



Advices on COVID-19

At a time when the Covid-19 pandemic is posing unprecedented challenges to the health sector, the MEDICRIME Committee issued several advices on the application of the MEDICRIME Convention in the context of counterfeit COVID-19 vaccines (April 2021) and COVID-19 (April 2020).

The MEDICRIME Committee contributed to the Committee of Bioethics' statement on ensuring equitable access to vaccination during pandemics (January 2021).

Current work:



- ✓ **First monitoring round on "The protection of Public Health through the MEDICRIME convention in times of pandemics"**
- ✓ **Criminal activity** resulting in **leakages** from the medical product **supply chain**
- ✓ **Falsification** of medical products for **veterinary use**
- ✓ **Gap analysis study (risk mapping)** on fraud and falsified medical products


MEDICRIME 24/7 network

The objective of the 24/7 Network is to strengthen international cooperation in criminal matters. It is conceived as a simple, agile, and cost-effective mechanism to facilitate the immediate exchange of key police and judicial information on a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week basis.



10th Anniversary of the MEDICRIME Convention

An online event will be organised on 2 December 2021 at 15h CET.

To participate please fill in this [registration form](#). 



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