

AVOID RISKS OR YOUR HEALTH!

Illegal sale settings/Foreign sites

t drugs, illicit drugs, expired drugs, overdosed or under dosed drugs non-approved medicines); waste of money (not reimbursable, not returnable or claimable if defective, restraint in customs).

Illegal practices

Be aware: Incorrect diagnosis, insufficient, misleading or wrong counseling, Medicines inappropriate and harmful for your condition, inadequate treatment.

Misleading information

Be aware: Lack of information, biased information, wrong information, products with the same name may be different in different countries

SEEK SAFE MEDICINAL PRODUCTS!

Buy only medicinal products approved by a competent authority!

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Quality medicines are dispensed by licensed persons and licensed sale channels, which are controlled by a responsible authority

If you need a prescription or any medical advice be sure to contact a licensed health professional

In some countries medicines may only be sold in licensed pharmacies and they must have the proper marketing authorization. National medicines regulatory authority or the European Medicines Evaluation Agency (EMA) are responsible for these issues. In order to practice, physicians and pharmacists must be registered in their respective professional societies.



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EMA:

<http://www.emea.eu.int/exlinks/exlinks.htm>

Other European regulatory bodies:

<http://www.who.int/medicines/information/websites/infdra.shtml>

Check the World Health Organisation user guide available at:

<http://www.who.int/medicines/library/qsm/who-edm-qsm-99-4/medicines-on-internet-guide.html>

Medicines & Internet

The major problems in the field of Medicines and the Internet are the overflow of information and an abundance of risky offers.

To help you with the right choice:

The Council of Europe and [to insert partner] gives you the following practical tool.

Check the topics inside.

Internet can be helpful but does not replace the consultation with a health professional.

Don't forget to discuss and share the information obtained from the Internet with your doctor or pharmacist.

