Multi-Sectoral Collaboration

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- I would like to share with you how multi stakeholder engagement is contributing to quality assurance on the ground
- Civil society organizations remain independent and only take funding from governments and NGOs/foundations
- There is a need to make medical professions stop prescribing irrationally
- We need transparency in medicine lines to improve access; there is a need to use a multi-stakeholder engagement – i.e. public, private and civil society
- HAI works with 7 countries globally which have collectively selected a meta-council which is country-driven and involves civil society engagement
- Transparency is the first thing brought to the table. The issues that need to be addressed by the group are made known to the public, while focusing on public education
- The membership is more than 200, worldwide
- In Uganda, the work is with the drug regulatory authority
- In Ghana, the intervention is around transparency and a public awareness campaign
- The market is where stakeholder interactions can have the most impact