

# MHRA used Dialogue App to consult on whether to launch comprehensive drug information database



Client: MHRA

Type of process: online policy discussion

App used: Dialogue App

## Snapshot

The Medicines and Healthcare products Regulatory Agency (MHRA) used Dialogue App to discuss whether to launch a comprehensive drug information database online and, if so, what the database might look like.

<http://www.medinfodiscussion.org>

## Detail

Between 8th February and 8th March 2010, the MHRA's "Medicines Information Online Discussion" discussed whether to make MHRA's PILs and SPCs information available online and what the database might look like.

The dialogue attracted a large number of qualified respondents, including 45% describing themselves as a pharmacist or a member of the pharmaceutical industry and 8% as a doctor or nurse.

Participants felt an online comprehensive medicine database was a good idea but debated on whether a new database was needed or whether existing databases (namely the ems) could be added to.

## Numbers

Total users: 252

Total comments: 149

Total ideas: 65

Total ratings: 135

For more information, visit: <http://www.dialogue-app.com>

The screenshot shows the MHRA website interface for the "Medicines Information Online Discussion". At the top, there is a search bar with the text "Search Ideas" and a "SEARCH" button. Below the search bar is a navigation menu with links for "HOME", "LOG IN", "REGISTER", and "ABOUT THE DIALOGUE". The main heading is "The Medicines Information Online Discussion". There are three tabs: "Latest", "Highest rated", and "Most comments". The first article is titled "Comment on MHRA seeks views on making information about medicines available online" by jholmes on March 08, 2010 at 04:19PM. It has 0 comments, 0 tags, and a rating of 0.0 (0 votes - averaged). The second article is titled "Shire comment for MHRA web discussion regarding medicine information online" by Shire on March 08, 2010 at 04:15PM. It also has 0 comments, 0 tags, and a rating of 0.0 (0 votes - averaged). The third article is titled "Unanswered questions" by jesnes on March 08, 2010 at 12:12PM, with 0 comments and 0 tags. On the right side, there is a "SEE ALL IDEAS" button and a "Tags" section with a "View all tags" link. The tags include: accessibility, accuracy, accurate, all medicines, duplication, emc, foreign drugs, funding, governance, information standard, joinedupthinking, life saving, medicine, other language, patient rights, pills, powerful, printout, safety, and side effects.

