

Table 2 Charging policies of different countries

Country (blood supply system) ²	Type of charging system for patients	Type of cost recovery or financing system
Very High HDI³		
USA (H, RC, ABC)	Totally or partially chargeable	Insurers/patients
UK (N)	Free of charge	Government and insurers
Netherlands (N)	Free of charge	Insurers
France (N)	Free of charge	Government /insurers
Slovakia (N)	Free of charge	Insurers
Denmark (H)	Free of charge	Government
Hungary (N)	Free of charge	Insurers
New Zealand (N)	Free of charge	Insurers
Australia (RC)	Free of charge	Government
Germany (RC, H)	Free of charge	Insurers
Italy (H)	Free of charge	Government
Canada (RC, ABC)	Free of charge	Government
Finland (RC)	Free of charge	Insurers
Singapore (N)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patients/ insurers
High HDI		
Turkey (RC, H)	Free of charge	Insurers
Iran (N)	Free of charge	Government
Sri Lanka (N)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patients
Medium HDI		
South Africa (N)	Free of charge	Insurers
Bangladesh (H)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patients
India (H)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/insurers/patients
Namibia (N)	Free of Charge	Government /insurers
Low HDI		
Nepal (RC)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patients
Pakistan (M)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patients
Nigeria (H)	Totally or partially chargeable	Government/patient
Mozambique (M)	Totally or partially chargeable	Patients
Côte d'Ivoire (N)	Free of charge	Government/ insures
Zimbabwe (N)	Free of charge	Government /insurers
Uganda (N)	Free of charge	Government