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Mohammed Abuelkhair, pharmaceutical consultant with the General Authority for Health Services for the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, reported in September 2005 that the government of the United Arab Emirates has agreed to lower medicine prices by 7-8%. This follows a mandate from the GAHS chairman to make medicines more affordable. Mohammed Abuelkhair and others reviewed the fixed prices, and the availability of medicines in the central stores used by the public and private sector.