

Table 1 Set of indicators to start the consensus process

WHO dimension	Code	Indicator
Services	S1	Number of specialized PC services in the country per population
	S2	Paediatric PC provision
Policy	P1	Current national PC plan, programme, policy or strategy
	P2	Specific PC national law
	P3	Inclusion of PC services in the basic package of health services
	P4	Allocation of funds for PC in the national health budget by the Ministry of Health or equivalent government agency
Educations	E1	Process of official specialization in palliative medicine for physicians, recognized by the competent authority
	E2	Education for prequalified doctors/nurses
Medicines	M1	Availability of morphine and other strong opioids
	M2	Reported annual opioid consumption - excluding methadone - in morphine equivalence per capita
Vitality	V1	Existence of professional vitality regarding PC

PC = palliative care; WHO = World Health Organization.