



KENYA PHARMA

Objective

The Kenya Pharma project works, in collaboration with the National AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Disease Control Program (NASCO), to develop and manage a sustainable, uninterrupted supply of pharmaceuticals and other supplies for people living with HIV/AIDS. The project services approximately 350 sites with Antiretroviral (ARV) medicine and has expanded into drugs to treat opportunistic infections (OI).

Project status

The Kenya Pharma project is a bi-lateral contract running from July 2009 to July 2012. The project is a partnership comprising: Chemonics International Inc, DHL Exel Kenya Phillips Healthcare Pharmaceuticals Limited and Vimta Labs.

Key activities

The project is responsible for managing the entire supply chain from forecasting and quantification to delivery. The project provides commodities for 65% of Kenyans currently on Antiretroviral Treatment medicines.

More specifically Kenya Pharma will:

- Quantify ARVs and OI drugs needed to meet USG targets
- Procure the required pharmaceuticals and other commodities
- Properly store and warehouse PEPFAR commodities
- Distribute pharmaceuticals in a timely and efficient manner to ensure continuity in patient treatment
- Perform regular quality assurance reviews of the commodities procured and their distribution through recognized quality control laboratories
- Maintain records on supply for monitoring and evaluation of the project.

Achievements

Kenya Pharma has successfully:

- Established Ministry of Health-approved warehousing space
- Transitioned products and responsibilities from the previous implementer
- Validated and mapped the list of Antiretroviral Treatment (ART) clinics serviced by the project in conjunction with NASCO
- Put into place a team of field agents to provide support and service to PEPFAR/Kenya Pharma clinics
- Designed a real-time, web-based electronic supply chain management system (eSCM) to assist in information transfer and sharing on supply status and ordering
- Established regular ordering and re-supply systems for project commodities
- Delivered **868,134 kg** of ARV and OI pharmaceuticals to more than **350** clinics from August 2009 to March 2011.
- Worked with Indian manufacturers to improve performance and get the best prices for the commodities procured under this contract.
- Worked with NASCO to review site allocations and reporting tools for harmonization across the supply chains.

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