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KENYA

KEMSA MEDICAL COMMODITIES PROGRAM

In the quest to eliminate parallel supply chain systems for HIV commodities, KEMSA was awarded a five year contract, effective October 1, 2015. The KEMSA Medical Commodities Program (MCP) is a cost-plus-award fee completion type contract for procuring warehousing and distributing USG funded health commodities.

The KEMSA MCP aims to operate a safe, secure, reliable and sustainable supply chain management system for HIV/AIDS commodities needed to provide care and treatment of persons with HIV/AIDS in Kenya, and to support the warehousing and distribution of USG funded family planning, nutrition and malaria commodities.

KEMSA MCP activities are integrated in the broader KEMSA's operations and structures and leverages on the existing KEMSA infrastructure to enhance effectiveness and efficiency.

OUR WORK

The program ensures adequate stocking levels of commodities through monthly commodity status reviews done jointly with National AIDS and STI Control Programme and other stakeholders. The program reviews commodity stock status and supply plans and consequently adjusts the commodity quantification to reflect changing requirements, initiates new procurements and adjusts call downs of contracted commodities. Procurement activities are aligned to the objective of maintaining adequate stock status through a transparent and competitive acquisition process. Only USFDA/USAID approved manufacturers and organizations that are not disbarred are invited to submit offers for supply of pharmaceutical and non-pharmaceutical commodities.

The Program has established a secure and safe warehousing system within KEMSA. Goods are received in a timely manner to enable timely sampling of commodities for quality assurance analysis. Quality checks and analysis is conducted both within KEMSA and through accredited external laboratories.

The Program ensures efficient inventory management through monthly cycle counts to validate system and physical balances and the use of First Expired, First Out to closely monitor commodity shelf life. Through stock shelf life profiling, the program proactively manages short shelf life stocks by distributing to high volume sites and also engaging facilities with high stock levels to redistribute to other facilities to minimize obsolescence.

All commodities procured, warehoused and distributed meet required specifications/standards through sampling and inspection, Lab analysis, routine warehouse inspections, Supplier audits, Contractor performance evaluation and post market surveillance.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Since October 2015, the KEMSA Medical Commodities Program has:

- Ensured commodity quantifications reflect changing commodity requirements to suit country need.
- Improved end to end commodity security, with special focus on last mile commodity security.
- Achieved better prices compared to international reference prices leading procurement savings worth \$16,748,452.
- Ensured all Program commodities comply with the required specifications/standards through sampling and inspection, lab analysis, routine warehouse inspections, supplier audits, contractor performance evaluation and post market surveillance.
- Increased access to treatment through decentralisation. At inception, there were 372 ordering points which have since increased to 467. The number of patients on treatment has equally increased from 850,171 to 1,171,102 resulting from enhanced access to commodities.
- Supported transition to new treatment regimens
- Supported decentralization of commodity quantification of RTKs to the counties which has enhanced accountability and responsibility thus deriving better value for every dollar invested.

BUDGET: \$65,000,000

DURATION
2015 – 2020

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS
Across the 47 counties

KEY PARTNERS

- All USG service delivery partners,
- Afya Ugavi

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