Coordinated Procurement Planning Initiative

Strengthening the supply of HIV/AIDS commodities through donor coordination
Global donors met in January 2006 to discuss program implementation and ways of improving coordination on HIV/AIDS

Results: agreed to four specific tasks

1. Establishment of a working group on procurement planning and implementation
2. Encouragement of joint annual implementation reviews
3. Establishment of a working group on AIDS strategies and action plans
4. A review of incentives for coordination among donors
Working group on procurement planning and implementation met in June 2006 at PEPFAR Implementers’ Meeting to formalize the initiative

Steering Committee with representatives from Global Fund, PEPFAR, and World Bank *

Renamed the “Coordinated Procurement Planning (CPP) initiative”

* During 2008 the World Health Organization (WHO) and UNITAID joined
Purpose of the CPP initiative

- Provides a framework to improve and strengthen country-level coordination
- Seeks to contribute to scale up for and uninterrupted supply of ART
- Helps to ensure that commodities are available: providing value, quality and timely delivery
- Informs donor HQs of country level blockages and opportunities for change to improve procurement effectiveness
Core Principles of the initiative

- Build on existing systems and mechanisms
- Work under country leadership
- Be a learning mechanism between countries and between countries and donor HQs
Scope of the initiative

- Initial focus antiretroviral drugs (ARVs)
- Pilot in six countries

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Structure and organization

- Steering Committee
- SCMS serves as Technical Secretariat
- In each country, partners contribute to and support the initiative
  - National governments and other Global Fund Principal Recipients
  - US Government teams
  - WB offices
  - UNITAID partners such as the Clinton HIV/AIDS Initiative and UNICEF
  - WHO country offices
The CPP process provides a framework for coordination and supports the development of roles and activities at country level.

- There are six elements of a coordinated procurement planning process, which culminates in a Coordinated Procurement Plan:
  - **Country & Donor Commitment** is the beginning and end of this process.
  - **Leadership & Management** establish the structures for procurement planning.
  - **Forecasting, Supply Planning and Funding Allocation** are the operational steps of developing a CPP.
  - **Regular Updating** revisits and revises CPPs with the most currently available data.
Expected outcomes

- Greater efficiency through improved management of national stocks
- Reduced cost
- Reduced stock outs and overstocks
- Favorable climate for coordination
Future of the initiative

- Roll out to new countries: Côte d’Ivoire, Malawi, Zambia
- In initial pilot countries:
  - Continue ARV coordination
  - Extend coordination to new commodities (e.g. rapid test kits) in some of the pilot and new countries
  - Extend CPP to include Commodity Security
- In short term (2009) provide a platform to share information regarding UNITAID funding transition
- Identify key success factors and best practices
Regionally:

- Facilitate the Technical Secretariat’s communication and coordination with country offices and representatives
- Support country offices and representatives to include this activity in their work plans
- Share perspectives on the initiative’s implementation at country level with your organization’s Steering Committee representative
Contributing to the CPP initiative in country

Within each country:

- Support the implementation of the initiative:
  - Develop relationship with SCMS field office
  - Promote initiative and advocate for coordination
  - Participate in national coordinated procurement planning process
  - Support initiative to overcome specific challenges as they arise

- Contribute to reporting on the initiative’s progress, lessons learned, challenges and successes