Proposed Implementation Plan

Proposed Commodity Flow for PMTCT Products

- UNICEF, in consultation with RPM Plus, process commodities and keep them in their transit stores until cleared by MOH or PHARMID.
- PHARMID stores and distributes PMTCT commodities via their regional branches.
- Hospitals and health centers (or the respective District Health Office for the health center) collect supplies from PHARMID on a monthly or quarterly basis. Initially, delivery services will be limited to facilities that cannot regularly access a PHARMID branch, but may be expanded in the long term, and in particular, where antiretroviral therapy (ART) is introduced.

Proposed PMTCT Product Procurement & Distribution

Selection

Partners

UNICEF, PHARMID, PASS

Quantification

Procurement

PMTCT facilities

Clearance

PASS

Receipt

Storage

PHARMID

Distribution

PHARMID branches

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- Additional facilities, including facilities managed by missions, police, or private entrepreneurs, have been identified to provide PMTCT as well as ART services.
- RPM Plus is implementing an approach to use the same supply channel for the commodity distribution to these sites.
- Scheduled distribution to program sites and reporting to regional pharmacy services and HIV/AIDS programs will be coordinated.
- Monitoring and evaluation system to track selected supply indicators is being developed, and a management information system will track stock level and expiry of PMTCT products at target sites.
- To sustain access to PMTCT products, the pharmaceutical management capacity at project sites needs to be strengthened concurrently.
- Infrastructure improvements are being made to meet minimum storage and handling conditions.

PHARMID, the parastatal wholesaler, is the preferred option for managing PMTCT-related products under this program.

- PHARMID complies with national health regulations.
- Technical, programmatic, and financial information will be shared.

Obviously, a small staff is a prerequisite for PHARMID to support commodity management for the start-up phase of PMTCT services.

- PHARMID’s distribution system is a lack of representation at the district level. RPM Plus recommended that facilities directly contact commodities that are the most health and efficient option, since the majority of facilities regularly visit PHARMID branches to procure budget supplies. However, delivery services may be considered.