



Regulatory Barriers to Scale

Impact on Access to Maternal and Reproductive Health Supplies

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Jhpiego is an international, non-profit health organization affiliated with The Johns Hopkins University. For 40 years and in over 155 countries, Jhpiego has worked to prevent the needless deaths of women and their families.

Jhpiego works with health experts, governments and community leaders to provide high-quality health care for their people. Jhpiego develops strategies to help countries care for themselves by training competent health care workers, strengthening health systems and improving delivery of care.

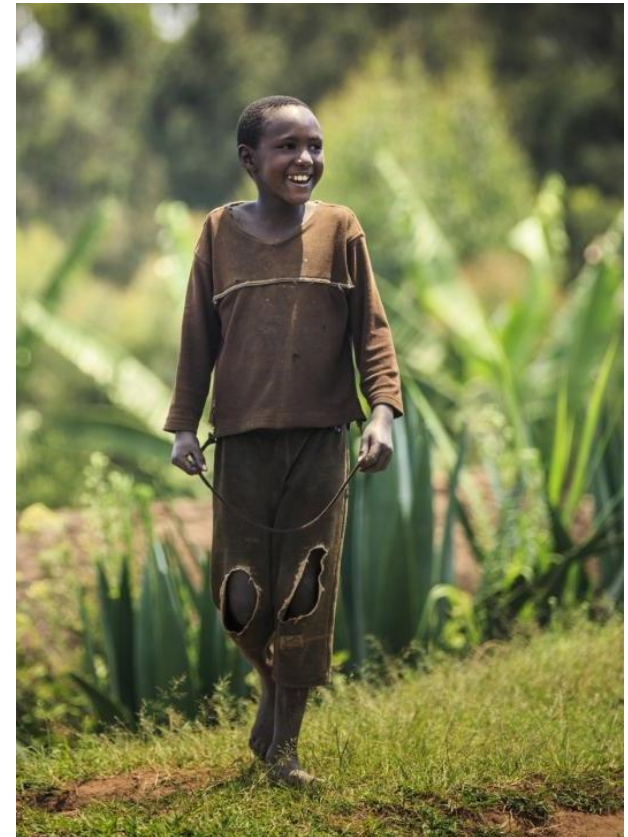
Jhpiego designs innovative, effective and low-cost health care solutions to ensure a level of care for women and their families. These practical, evidence-based interventions are breaking down barriers to high-quality health care for the world's most vulnerable populations.





Over the last 10 years, i+solutions has provided services that support the procurement and distribution of essential medicines, supporting governments and organizations in their quest for creating sustainable access to medicines and health products. During this history, their portfolio has been continuously expanded and their services, adapted to local and contemporary needs.

i+solutions is active in a number of projects that aim to solve bottlenecks in the access to medicines in developing countries. Not only do they procure essential medicines and health products, but they also conduct training and consultancy activities so that countries can improve their health systems and eventually take full control of their pharmaceutical supply chain management.

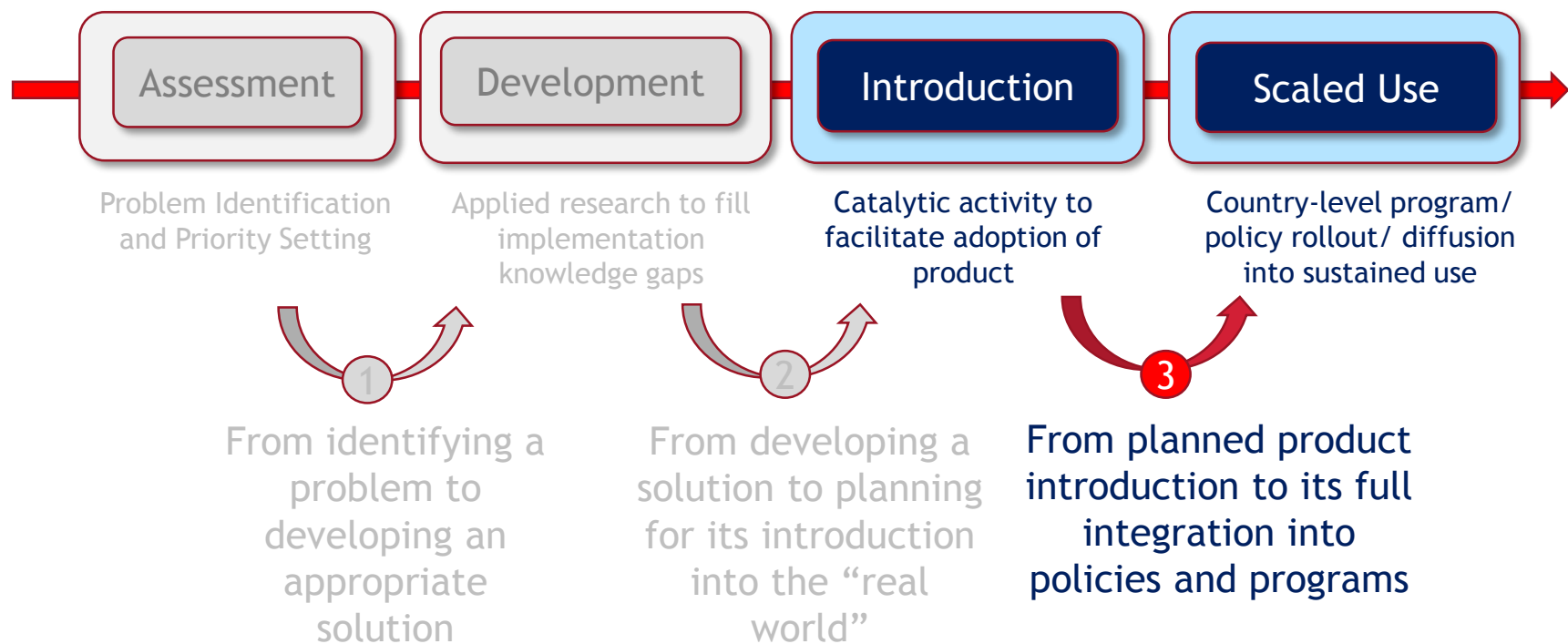


Introduction to Regulatory Barriers to Scale

From Introduction to Scale: The Market Matters

Fig 1: Accelerating the Path to Introduction and Use

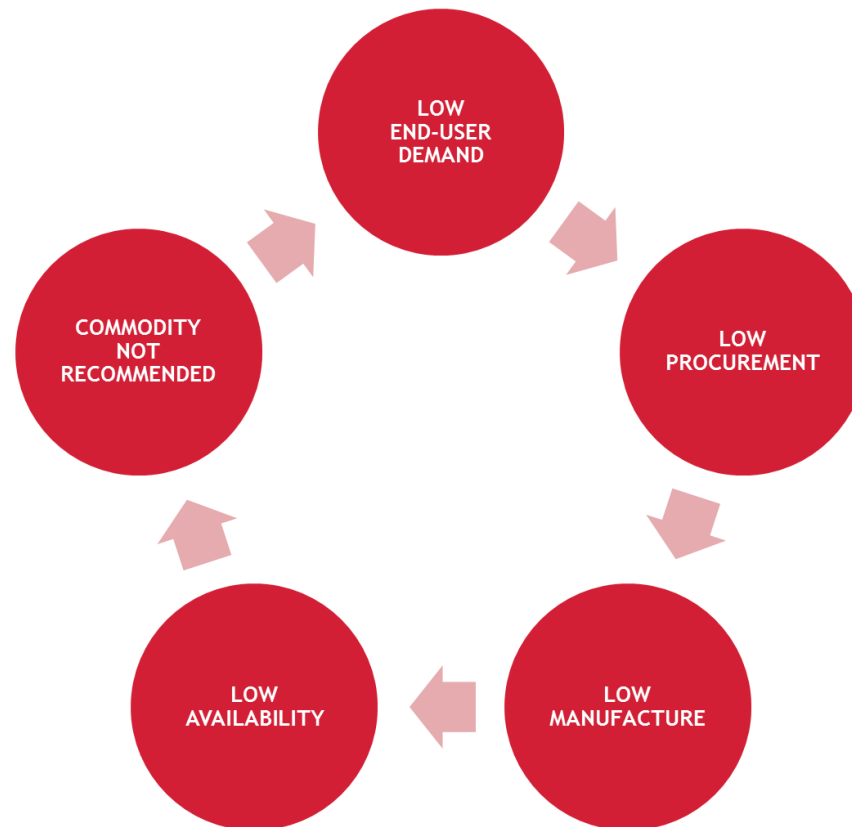
Source: USAID-Accelovate Program, 2014



From Introduction to Scale: The *Well-Regulated* Market Matters

Conclusion #1:
RMNCH product availability and access is essential to the uptake of essential clinical interventions

Fig 2: Poor Drug Quality Reinforces Low Demand and Use



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WHO's Model Essential Medicines List provides an internationally recognizable set of selected medicines to help countries choose how to treat their priority needs.

- WHO, Behind the Essential Medicines List

Regulatory barriers negatively impact access to essential RMNCH health supplies

Conclusion #2:

Barriers that threaten a strong regulatory environment ultimately threaten access to essential RMNCH supplies

Conclusion #3:

Addressing regulatory barriers begins translating global standards into national policies

Regulatory Barriers

- Lack of clear legislative framework
- Unclear standards
- Inconsistent enforcement of regulatory standards
- Dispersion of regulatory responsibilities
- Lack of experience and qualified staff
- Lack of political support

Impact on access to RMNCH supplies

- Delayed access
 - Inability to provide clear guidance
 - Lack of sufficient safety and efficacy data
 - Inappropriate risk-benefit assessment for wider use
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Approaches to Regulatory Intervention

Registration of Medicines

(Also known as Market Authorization or Product Licensing)

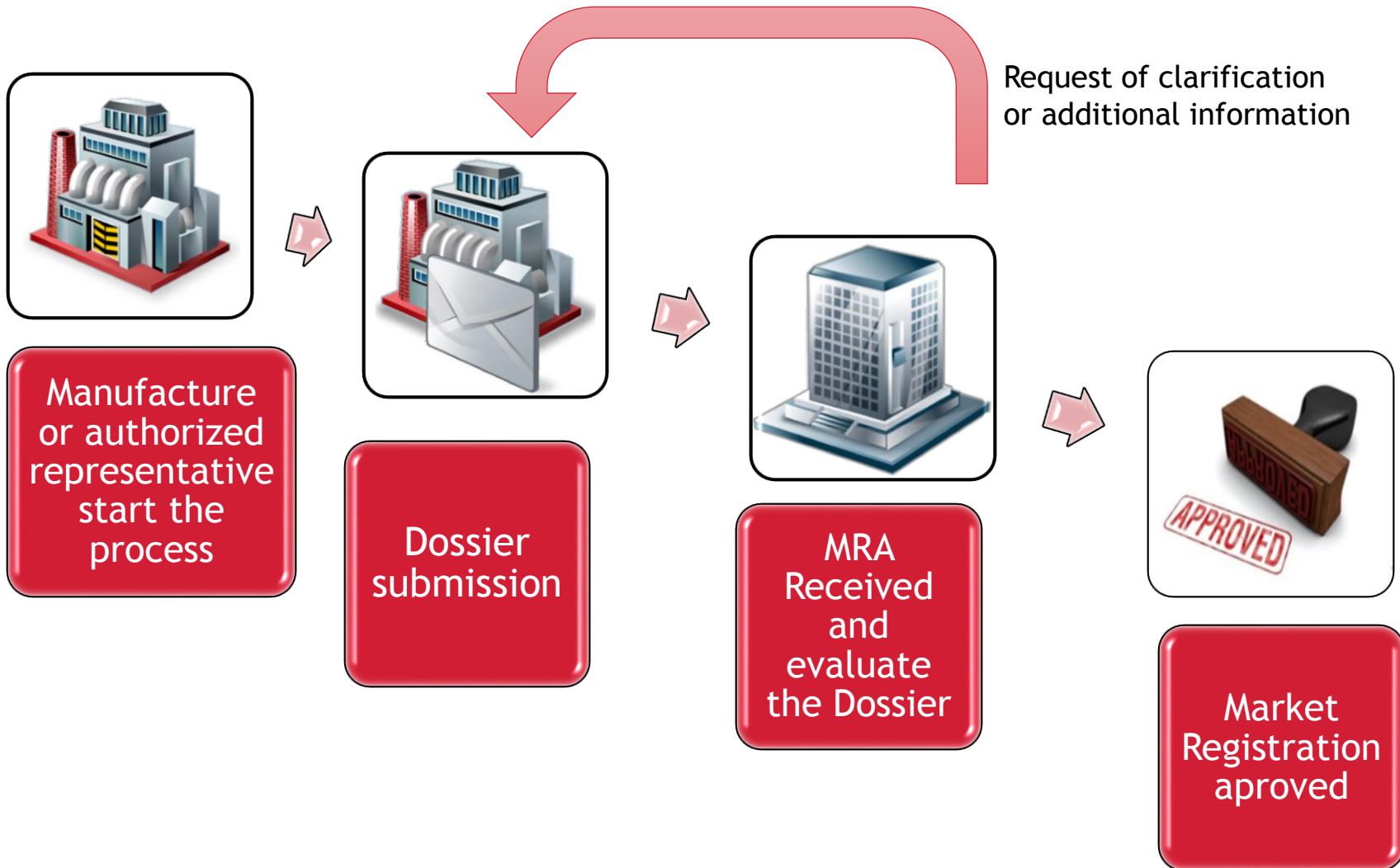


An official document issued by the competent drug regulatory authority for the purpose of marketing or free distribution of a product after evaluation for safety, efficacy and quality” [...].

World Health Organization, 1999

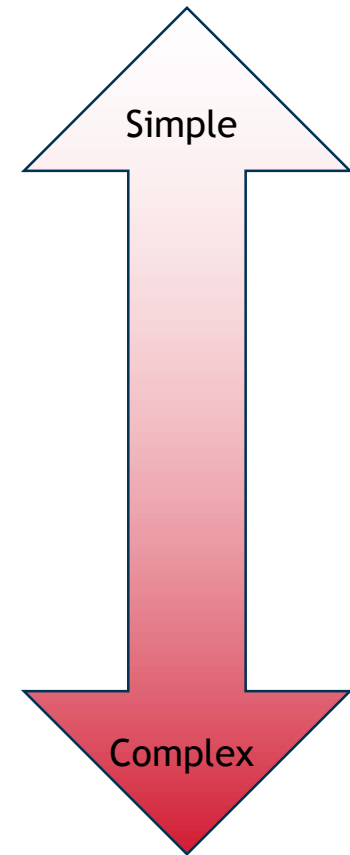
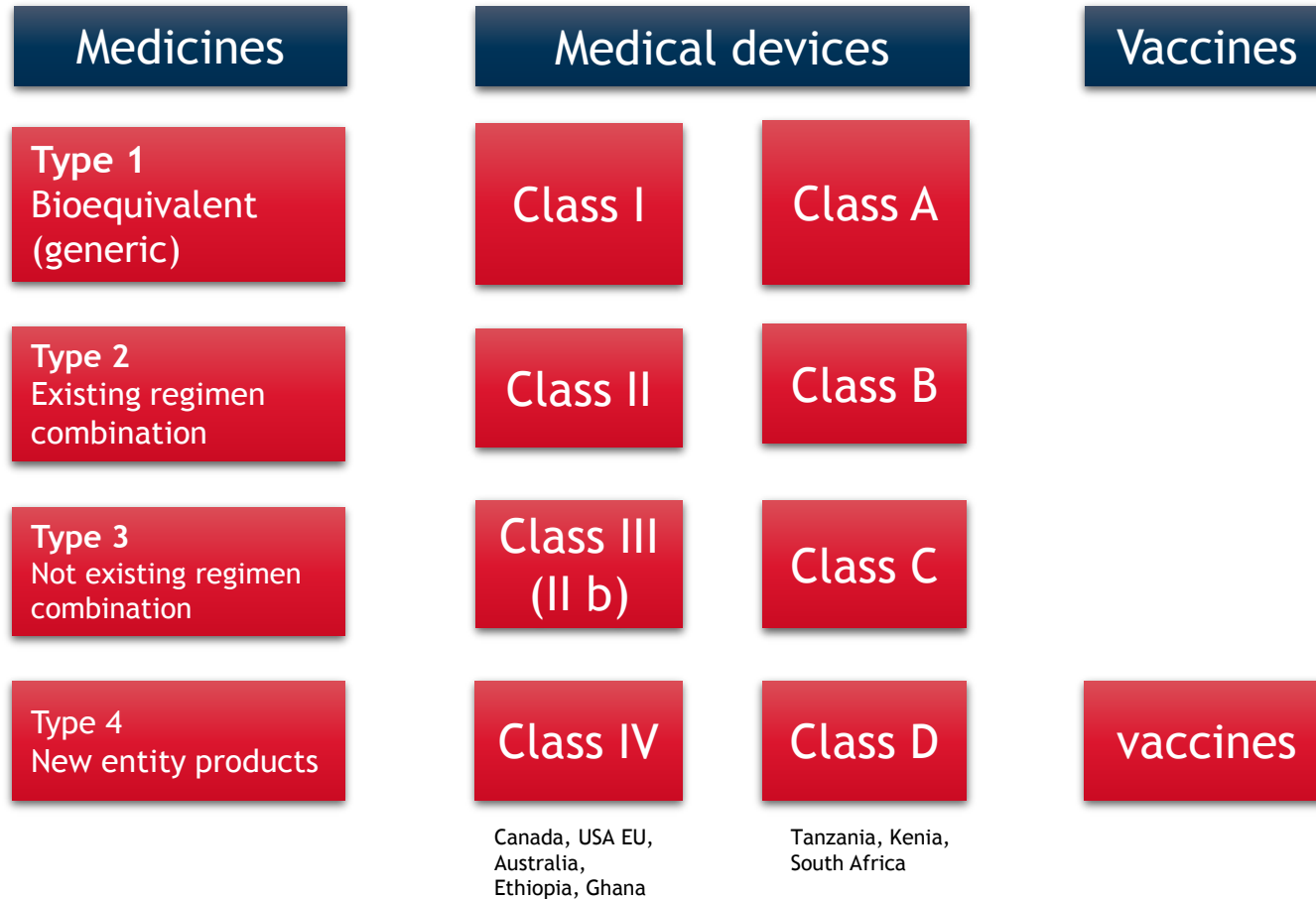
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Overcoming Medical Device Registration



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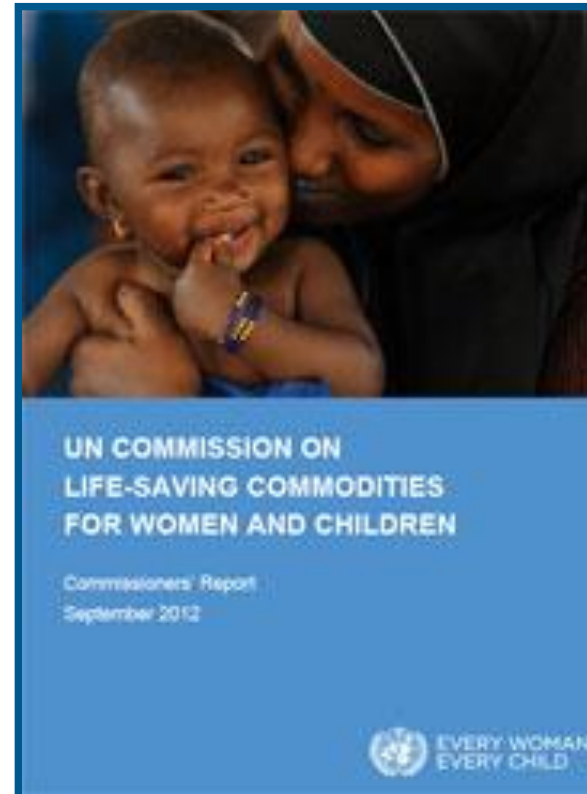
Registration process



UN Commission on Life-Saving Commodities

UNCoLSC Goals

- ❖ Define a list of overlooked life-saving commodities for women and children
- ❖ Identify key barriers preventing access to and use of these commodities
- ❖ Recommend innovative action to rapidly increase both access and use



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Magnesium Sulfate



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General Barriers to Commodity Access

INSUFFICIENT SUPPLY

INABILITY TO REGULATE SUPPLY

LOW AWARENESS AND DEMAND

COMPROMISED ACCESS



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Specific Barriers to Magnesium Sulfate Access

1. Lack of demand among health workers

2. Very small profit margins

3. Cumbersome market authorization processes

4. No WHO prequalified product

5. Not included in national essential medicine lists

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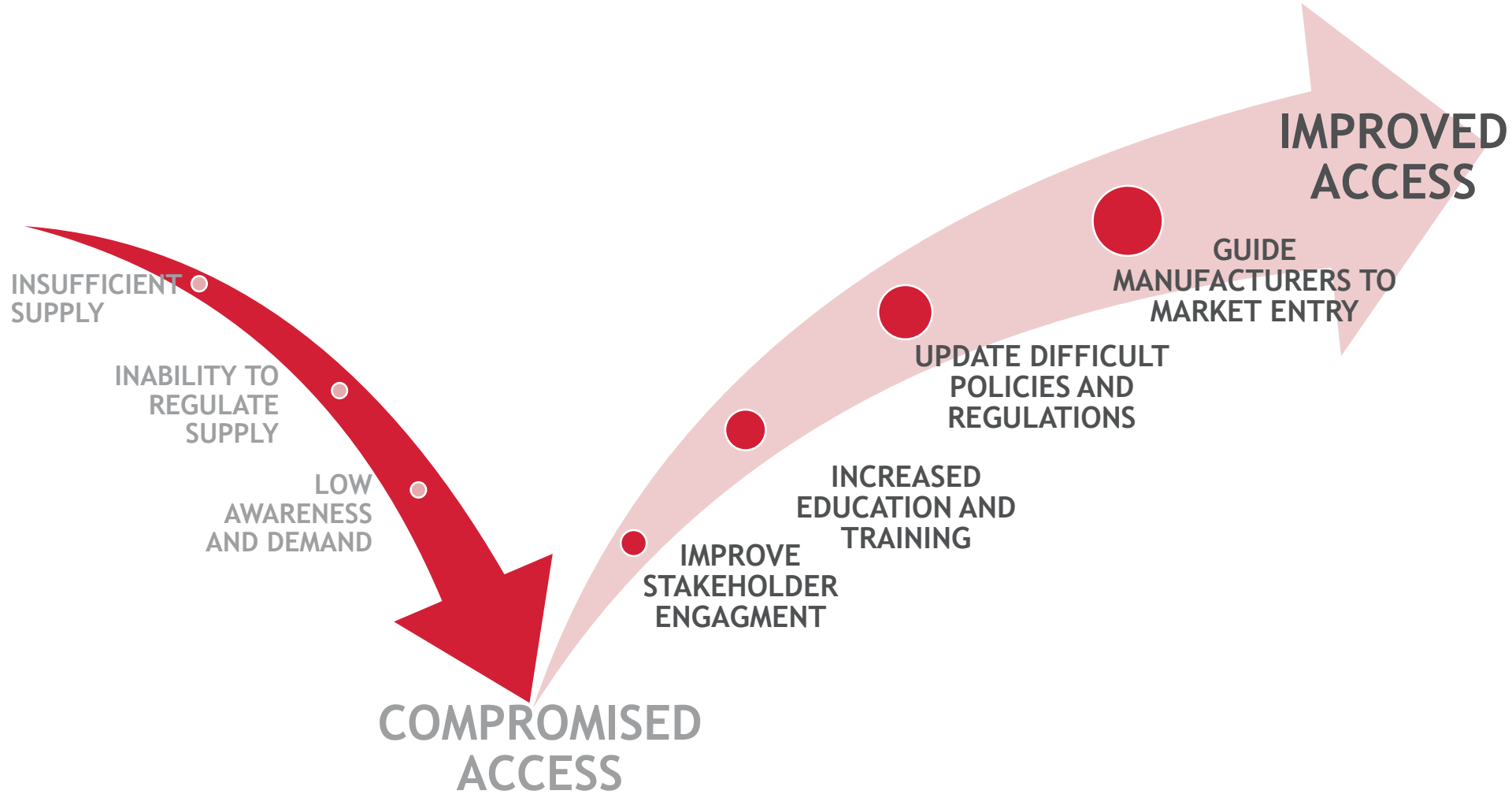
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Combatting Barriers to Commodity Access



Path to Improved Access



Clarify International Standards



Stakeholder Engagement and Education



Modify Regulatory Environment



Guide Manufacturers to Market



Regulate Commodity Quality

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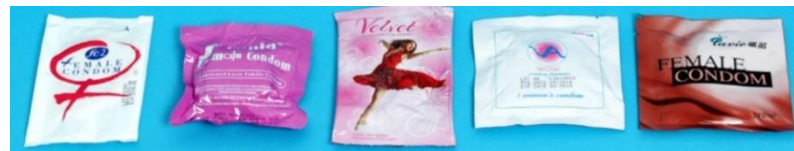
Overcoming Regulatory Barriers to Promote Variety of Female Condoms



Introduction to the UAFC Program

Universal access to Female Condom

- OPO 1: To increase availability and affordability of Quality assured Female Condoms
- OPO 2: To increase a sustained demand of Female Condoms at local level
- OPO3: To support global and local policy makers and donors.



Introduction to the UAFC Program

OPO1: To increase availability and affordability of Quality assured Female Condoms

Activities:

- To assist in-country programs in SCM related activities (pool procurement, LMIS software, distribution)
- To support FC manufactures in the WHO prequalification process
- To support FC manufactures in-country registration process



Female Condom Registration Requirements

Methodology

Data collection methodology

Mixed Questionnaire (open and closed questions)

Source of information

MRA (medicines regulatory agencies)

Official MRA's website or its direct personnel.

FC manufactures

International organization's Reports (complementary)

Sample

26 countries were identified

Inclusion criteria: Countries with FC consumption level

Countries with FC manufacturing capacities

Countries with Stringent Regulatory authorities

15 completed the questionnaires

Africa: RD Congo Ethiopia Tanzania Zimbabwe Nigeria Rwanda Kenya

Ghana South Africa South Africa

South America: Peru, Brazil

Asia: Bangladesh India Indonesia Malaysia

Female Condom Registration Requirements

Overview of FC Registration Pathway

Mixed Questionnaire (open and closed questions)

- Are condoms (male/female) regulated in the country?
- If yes, describe the applicable regulation or directive
- Condom classification (medical device, medicines, others)
- Essential medicine list:

Condoms on EML

Female Condom specified on EML

- National competence authority

- Registration requirements

Applicant eligibility

Administrative and technical documents

Sample

Label Requirements

Timeline

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How are things going in there? Here in Europe the weather is improving a lot! So nothing to do with the weather in Sweden!

Portia, I would like you to ask for your support regarding registration process of condoms in South Africa.

The organization that I am working (+solutions) as you probably know, is an international non-profit organisation, specialised in pharmaceutical supply chain management. As aimed at promoting universal access to female condoms, we aim to map registration requirements for condoms in different countries.

Since South Africa has a large tradition in the use of Female condoms, we are interesting to know more about the process. This information will be made available, through our portal (www.fcml.org) to various manufacturers and other relevant stakeholders to access relevant developing country markets.

I would be much appreciated if you fill in the attached template for your country and send it back to us.

A	B	C	D	E			F	G	H	I	J
Country	Are condoms (male/female) regulated in the country?	If yes, specify the National legislation or guideline	Condom classification (medical device, medicines, others)	Essential Medicines List			Name of national competent (regulatory) authority	Applicant eligibility criteria	Documents		
				Condoms on EML?	Female condoms on EML?	EML Version (year)					
SOUTH AFRICA											

(Email format used for data collection)

Female Condom Registration Requirements Findings

Question	Outcomes
Are condoms (male/female) regulated in the country?	14 out of 15 countries condoms are regulated (no in Bangladesh)
If yes, describe the applicable regulation or directive	9 out of 15 regulation is secured with a local laws or acts
Condom classification (medical device, medicines, others)	15 out of 15 NRAs classified as a medical device 9 out of 15 NRAs specified the type (class II or Class C)
National competence authority	6 out of 15 National Authorities has a separate entity for Registration process

Data Outline: EMCI Portal

Question	Outcomes
Condoms on EML	13 out of 15 countries include condoms
Female Condom specified on EML	10 out of 15 countries do not include Female Condoms
Registration requirements	Applicant eligibility: Manufacture or Authorized rep.
	Administrative and technical documents
	Timeline: 2 (Nigeria) -9 month (Tanzania)
	Registration: \$365 (Peru) - \$2,500 (India)
	Validation: 3 years (Ghana)- 5 years (Rwanda)

Data Outline: FMCI Portal

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Welcome to FCMi

FCMi is part of the Universal Access to Female Condoms Joint Programme (UAFC) and provides market intelligence for those involved or interested in the procurement and supply of female condoms.

One of the goals of UAFC is to increase the variety of quality-assured and affordable female condoms on the market. With the increase in demand

News

Cupid Ltd receives order worth USD 16.28 million for supply of Female Condom
June 24, 2015: Cupid Ltd has received an order worth USD 16.28 million equivalent of approximately...
[read more](#)

Events

05-03-2015
AID Impact 2015, Amsterdam, 28th to 31st July 2015
AID Impact is an international behavioral and psychosocial science conference... [view event](#)

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Female Condom Events Related in 2015
List of Conferences, meetings and events related with Female Condom

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Name *

E-mail *

Phone

Country *

Geographical region

Income level (World Bank)

Population (women 15-49 years) in millions, 2015

Are condoms (male/female) regulated in the country? *

Yes

No

If yes, describe the applicable regulation or directive

Medicines Registration: International Initiatives

Region / Organization	Initiative
IMDRF	Regulatory Harmonization
WHO	Collaborative registration in PQ Process
US FDA	Accelerated approval Tentative approval
EU EMEA	Conditional Approval Article 58
AFRICA	EAC Medicines Registration Harmonization project Africa Medicine Regularly Harmonization Program
LATIN AMERICA	Red panamericana para la armonización de la regulación farmacéutica (red PARF)
ASIA	... ?

Questions and Discussion