Strategic Medical Re-Supply Program

- Innovative Gift-In-Kind Program initiated in December 2006 in Macedonia
- Current programs: Albania, Kosovo, Macedonia, Tanzania, Zanzibar
- The donated product covers shortages, and provides an opportunity to make and use savings to cover other priority areas
- Donations made available to the poorest segment of the population and closely monitored to ensure appropriate usage
- Over 100$ million in medical products & supplies donated
SMRP Tools

- Close and regular contact with Ministries of Health and Hospitals/End recipients
- Project HOPE office submits to GIK Development regularly updated Needs lists and tables by countries, companies and products
- Regular submission of specific write ups and regularly updated donor requests
- PH office created Data Base in 2009 for all the donations as tracking tool
- Monitoring visits and check lists
- Success stories, photos, videos and reports as feedback to the donors/partners
Routine Rigorous Monitoring

- At least once a month monitoring visits are made to program hospitals to tabulate inventories, review journals and patient records, and interview hospital staff and patients.
- Product tracking database helps ensure that product is effectively used where it is needed.
- 600+ monitoring visits demonstrated that 98% of product has been effectively used before expiration.
Strategic Medical Re-Supply Program Impact

• Improvement to the food supply for the patients in both quality and quantity (Demir Hisar Psychiatry Hospital in Macedonia)

• Contribution toward the purchase of an X-Ray machine (General Hospital in Gevgelija, Macedonia)

• Improvement in the range of pharmaceuticals provided by hospitals, which are otherwise purchased by the patients (University Clinical Center in Prishtina, Kosovo)

• Cover already existing budgetary deficits (All)

• Enhancement of treatment for patients; higher quality medications allow for patients to receive shorter duration of treatment with the equivalent or better efficacy (All)
SMRP strengths

- SMRP used as platform for implementing educational programs
- SMRP used as platform for bringing volunteers with needed specialties
- SMRP office as effective unit during Disaster Response:
  - Over 85 $ Million dollars in products in the Philippines, Balkan flooding, Sierra Leone, Nepal
  - PH office in Macedonia has trained and experienced medical staff in Disaster Response
- SMRP office as part of donor approach together with GIK Development
- Expertise in Cold Chain strengthening/development
- Strategic expanding of SMRP in existing countries
- SMRP requested in new countries
SMRP future activities

• Creating Monthly Newsletter
• Implement regular meetings and closer cooperation with local donors. Using their input in creating strategic requests and donation of their products; inviting the local donors to witness distribution, hospital visits; If needed, training to be provided by them in certain new products;
• Expanding to other strategic countries that are requesting SMRP presence
• Work close with other departments in order to provide bigger in-country impact
• Serving as a hub for Disaster Response