

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

