

# Improved Access to Medicines through Local Production

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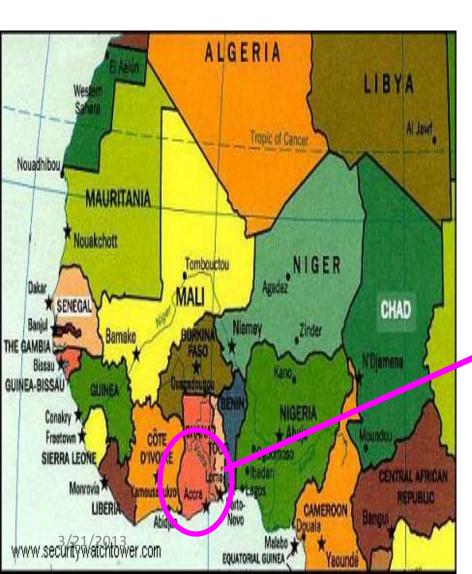
#### Introduction

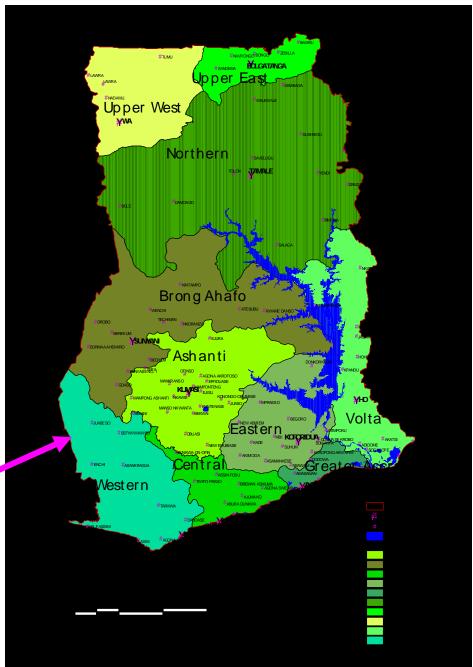
- Access to medicines remain a global challenge; and affect LMICs to varying extents, Ghana inclusive
- Local manufacture of medicines contribute significantly to the improvement of access to medicines through simple supply chains
- The interphase between private sector and public sector to improve access remain a potential yet to be explored fully
- Thus the interlock between access to medicines and the rate of local production; and quality and capacity building are areas to be explored for Ghana



# Introduction (2)

- The health challenge in Ghana major factor in poverty
- Many deaths preventable with timely access to appropriate & affordable medicines
- Ghana depends largely on imports from Asia, frequently with long lead times
- Still have challenges with quality of some imports





# Ghana: Key Health Indicators 2011 (WHO)

(probability of dying by age 5 per 1000 live births)

Maternal mortality ratio (per 100 000 live births)

Births attended by skilled health personnel (%)

Malaria mortality rate (per 100 000 population)

Prevalence of HIV among adults aged 15-49 years (%)

Measles immunization coverage among 1-year-olds (%)

**Under 5 mortality rate** 

**Antenatal coverage (%)** 

Life expectancy at birth

World Health Statistics 2011 (WHO)

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**Source**3/21/2013

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REPUBLIC OF GHANA MINISTRY OF HEALTH		
Ghana AFRICA	Ghana	
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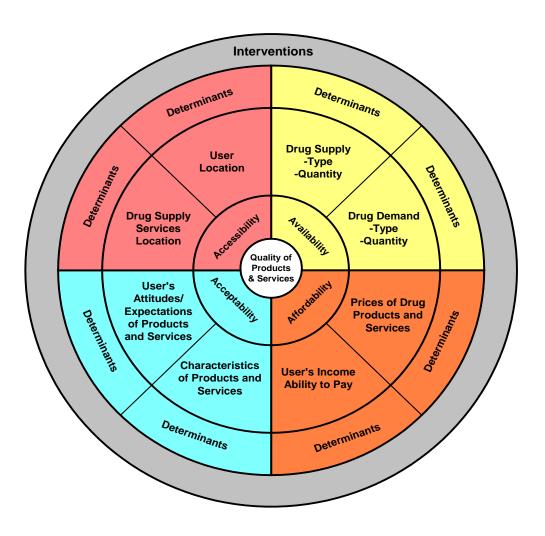
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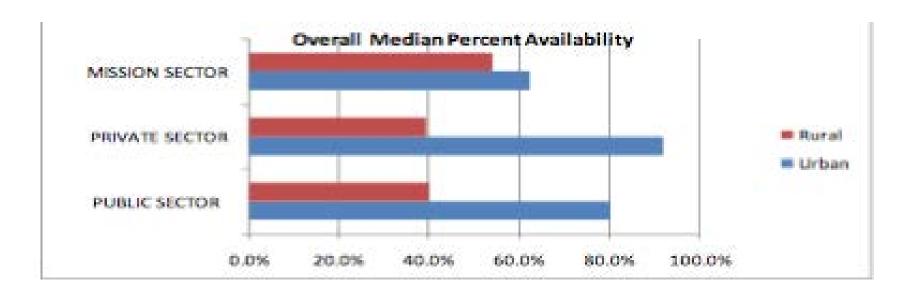
#### **Framework for Measuring Access**



Source: WHO-MSH (2001)



# Availability of Medicines across sectors for 34 selected medicines in 2009



	Public	Private	Mission
Urban	80%(n=15)	91%(n=18)	62.5%(n=4)
Rural	40%(n=15)	39.3%(n=14)	54.2%(n=12)



# Affordability

# Affordability of Treatment of **Malaria** in Adults across public, private and mission sectors in Ghana

Malaria in adult	Public Patient		Private Retail		rivate Retail Mission Patient	
Artesunate/Amo diaquine	Median Treatm't Price	Days' Wages	Median Treatm't Price	Days' Wages	Median Treatm't Price	Days' Wages
Rural	1.0	0.5	3.0	1.6	2.0	1.1
Urban	0.5	0.3	6.4	3.4	3.6	1.9



# Affordability

# Affordability of Treatment of **Diabetes** in Adults across public, private and mission sectors in Ghana

Diabetes	Public		Public Private retail			Mission		
	Median Treatm't Days'				Median Treatm't	Days'		
Glibenclamide	Price	Wages	Price	Wages	Price	Wages		
(Rural)	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3	0.6	0.3		
(Urban)	1.2	0.6	1.2	0.6	1.2	0.6		



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# Affordability

# Affordability of Treatment of **respiratory tract infections** in Adults across public, private and mission sectors in Ghana

Adult resp. infects. Public Private Retail Mission Median Median Median Treatm't Treatm't Days' Days' Treatm't Days' Amoxicillin + Clavulanate Price Wages Price Wages Price Wages 12.0 6.312.6 6.6 12.6 6.6 (Rural)

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(Urban)



## Reimbursements

	Internatioanal Reference Price (GHC)	Rural Missio	on sector	Rural put	olic sector	Rural Priv	ate Sector	NI	IIS
Medicine Name	IRP	Median price	ratio to	Median	ratio to	Median	ratio to	Reimburs	ratio to
		(GHC)	IRP	price	IRP	price	IRP	ement	IRP
				(GHC)		(GHC)		prices	
								2008	
Ciprofloxacin	0.0292	0.2000	6.84	0.1750	5.98	0.1700	5.81	0.2	6.84
Clotrimazole	0.0077	0.1650	21.51	0.0584	7.61	0.1075	14.02	0.16	20.86
Diclofenac	0.0055	0.0350	6.40	0.0400	7.32	0.0300	5.49	0.1	18.30
Mebendazole	0.0156	0.4750	30.39	0.3500	22.40	0.7000	44.79	1.2	76.79
Phenytoin	0.0048	0.0800	16.69		-	0.1000	20.86	0.06	12.52
Quinine Injection	0.0768	0.1175	1.53	0.2500	3.26	0.1250	1.63	0.28	3.65
Ranitidine	0.0229	0.1200	5.24	0.1250	5.46	0.1000	4.36	0.2	8.73



# Acceptability of locally produced medicines vs. imported

A study on Knowledge, attitude, beliefs and practices study is required:

- Aggressive marketing of imported products
- Low participation of local manufacturers in bidding for International Competitive Bidding
- Poor presentation of bidding documents
- Perception
- Cost

### Local Market and Manufacture

	Item	Value
.1.	⇒ Number of medicines registered	2490
.2.	⇒List of registered medicines by therapeutic class, patent status, patent expiry and registration dates is publicly available	□ <mark>Yes<sup>&amp;</sup></mark> ⊠No
.3.	Total annual market for medicines by value (local cur.) <sup>6</sup>	360,639,000
.4.	⇒ Market share of generic medicines [branded and INN] by value (%)	NA
.5.	⇒ Market share of medicines produced by local manufacturers by value (%)	30%
.6.	⇒List of top 20 medicines by value is publicly available	□ <mark>Yes⁴</mark> ⊠No
.7.	Annual growth rate of total medicines market value (%)	6-8%
.8.	Annual growth rate of generic market value (%)	NA

	Item	Value			
Med	icines expenditures				
7.1.	⇒MOH budget for medicines (local cur.) <sup>6</sup>	US\$ 62,606,022			
7.2.	⇒Percent MOH health budget for medicines (%)	9.50%			
7.3.	⇒ ⇒ Total medicines expenditures (local cur.) <sup>6</sup>	US\$ 62,606,022			
7.4.	⇒Total medicines expenditures per capita (local cur.) <sup>6</sup>	2.66			
7.5.	⇒Percent government medicines expenditures (% of total medicines expenditures)	9.50%			
7.6.	⇒Percent private medicines expenditures (% of total medicines expenditures)	NA			
Heal	lealth insurance				
7.7.	⇒National Health Insurance¹ (NHI) exists	⊠Yes □No			
7.8.	⇒If yes, NHI provides at least partial medicines coverage	⊠Yes □No			
7.9.	⇒Social Health Insurance <sup>2</sup> (SHI) exists	⊠Yes □No			
7.10	⇒If yes, SHI provides at least partial medicines coverage	⊠Yes □No			
7.11.	⇒Proportion of the population covered by NHI or SHI (% of population)	61.29 (2008)			
7.12	⇒List of medicines reimbursed by NHI or SHI and structure of reimbursement is available	⊠ <mark>Yes<sup>&amp;</sup> □</mark> No			



- In the above assessment for child specific medicines in Dec 2011:
- It was noted that local manufacturers either produce or have the capacity to produce medicines in most of the therapeutic categories for even some special therapeutic groups e.g. child-specific medicines.
- They also produce or have the capacity to produce medicines containing 20 out of the 26 active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) with regard to these child-specific medicines.

#### Strengthening local manufacturing capacity

- Active engagement with private sector local industry has led to the following two companies
  - Dispersible, masked taste
     Zinc sulphate tablets by
     one company in the
     country (Quality to be
     monitored over time)
  - Registered by the Regulatory Authority





#### Access and Local Manufacture

- Poverty levels make it difficult to purchase medicines – 40% of population earns less than minimum wage
- Potential consequence of TRIPS a barrier to access, high costs of medicines



#### Interest in Local Manufacture

- Sub-Saharan Africa pharmaceutical manufacturing contributes 25-30% continent's need – concentrated in South Africa (70%) and Nigeria, Ghana & Kenya (20%)
- Very few of these access the substantive amounts available through International Orgs such as The Global fund since yr 2000, when the MDGs introduced – achievement of which health is very important



# What are facilitating factors

- Regulatory environment
- Self motivated local entrepreneurs
- UNIDO presence with the Plan of work
- Supportive Government?
- GIZ capacity building work in TRIPS for Africa
  - Most participants moved on



#### Interest in Local Manufacture

- Global recession threatens supply of foreignaid financed import
- Pharmaceutical sector strategic in affecting health outcomes positively
- Tight regulations and quality control better enforced when supplier in close proximity to end-user
- Economic growth
- Easier continuous supply



# Challenges

- Translating policies into action
- Human capital
  - In service training for industry
  - Middle level skill training
- Financial Capital
- Technology transfer
- Effective and efficient partnerships
- Dealing with substandard and counterfeits



# **Concluding Remarks**

#### However,

- only 27% of these medicines are produced locally in the required dosage form and strength,
- while there is local capacity to produce a further 38%.
- Overall, local manufacturers have the potential to produce 65% of the targeted child-specific medicines.



# **Concluding Remarks**

#### Indications:

- Need for specific interventions designed
  - To build capacity in local manufacture for other ranges of innovative products
  - To encourage investment into new and existing product lines
  - To promote market access across the sub region
  - To promote PPPs geared towards sustainable access to medicines with public health interest and private sector interests all aligned properly around one forum



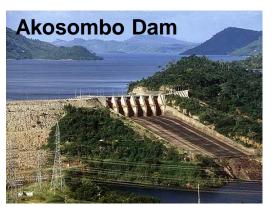
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- Medicines are weapons to fight diseases
  - Poverty
- Your weaponry must be at arms length
  - Eg the H1N1
- The argument for access to medicines using Local production is as relevant today as it was in 10 years ago

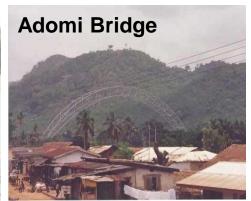
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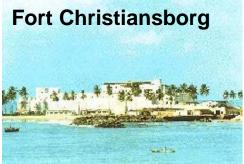


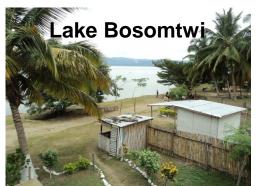


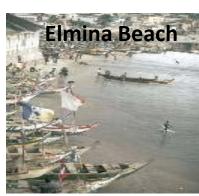














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Labadi Beach



Canopy walkway, Kakum



Mole Park



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