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Agenda

Introduction

Needs for digital tools across the pharmaceutical systems regulatory landscape

Overview of MSH tools designed to fit needs in the pharmaceutical system

Pharmadex and RxSolution - Progress, Challenges, Future plans and Link between potential tools and WHO Global Benchmarking Tool - GBT and strengthening standards

Q&A

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Introduction & Needs for digital tools



Overview of current MSH tools designed to fit needs in the pharmaceutical system



Pharmadex
medicines registration

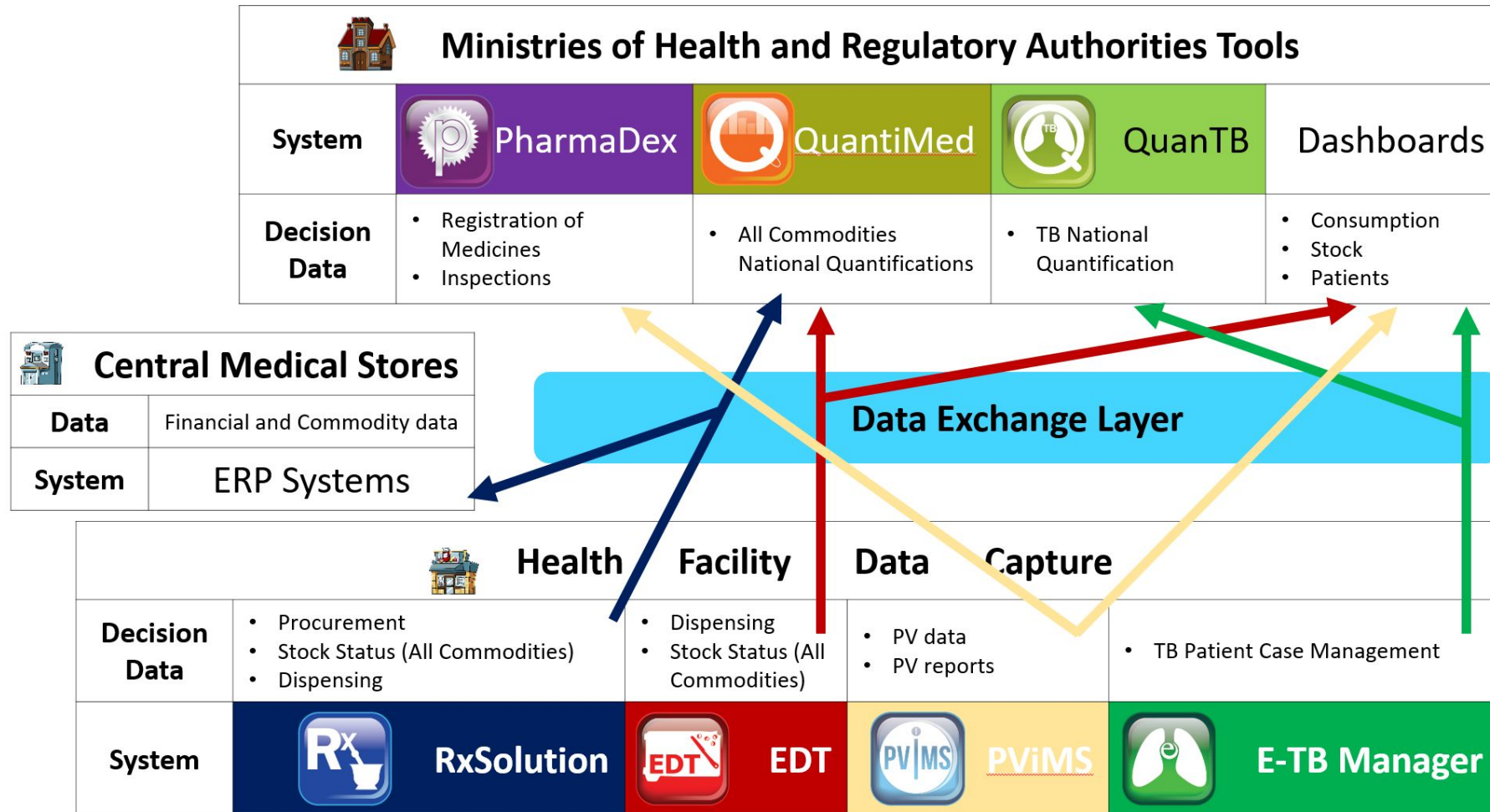


**Pharmacovigilance
Monitoring System**
medicines safety monitoring



RxSolution
patient management, dispensing,
and inventory management

Overview of available MSH Systems



The WHO Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT) Modules and MIS

1. National Regulatory Systems (RS)
2. **Registration and Marketing Authorization (MA)**
3. **Vigilance (VL)**
4. **Market Surveillance and Control (MC)**
5. *Licensing Establishments (LI)*
6. *Regulatory Inspection (RI)*
7. **Laboratory Testing (LT)**
8. **Clinical Trials Oversight (CT)**
9. **NRA Lot Release (LR)**

 Source: https://www.who.int/medicines/regulation/benchmarking_tool_version_vi/en/

GBT M2: Pharmadex module for Medicines Registration

What problem does it solve?

- Complex workflow for many work processes at NMRAs
- Large paper trails leading to long processing time
- Lack of overview of status of applications
- Gap in data analysis e.g. average time for registering a medicine/health product

Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT)

- Module 2 - Registration and Marketing Authorization

System characteristics

- Web-based
- Built to meet standardized workflow (WHO)
- Includes standard codes for INN and ATC

Benefits

- Can ensure more transparent, timely and standardized process for medicines registration





GBT M3: PViMS for Pharmacovigilance

What problem does it solve?

- Complex workflow for many work processes at NMRAs
- Large paper trails leading to long processing time
- Lack of overview of status of applications
- Gap in data analysis e.g. average time for registering a medicine/health product

Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT)

- Module 3 - Vigilance

System characteristics

- Web-based
- Built to meet standardized workflow (WHO)
- Includes standard codes for ICD-10 and more

Benefits

- The system is unique in performing active surveillance along with spontaneous reporting



GBT M4: Pharmadex module for Medicines Import

What problem does it solve?

- Issuing of Import Licenses
- Large paper trails leading to long processing time
- Lack of overview of status of applications
- Gap in data analysis

Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT)

- Module 4 - Market Surveillance and Control

System characteristics

- Web-based
- Built to meet standardized workflow (WHO)

Benefits

- Can ensure more transparent and standardized import of medicines/health products. Should be linked to Supply Chain to monitor e.g. international narcotics quotas



GBT M5&6: Pharmadex module for Licensing & Inspection

What problem does it solve?

- Ensuring standards are met at provider level ex. no hands are used to count tablets at dispensing point
- Large paper trails leading to long processing time
- Lack of overview of status of applications

Global Benchmarking Tool (GBT)

- Module 6 - Regulatory Inspection

System characteristics

- Web-based
- Built to meet standardized workflow (WHO)

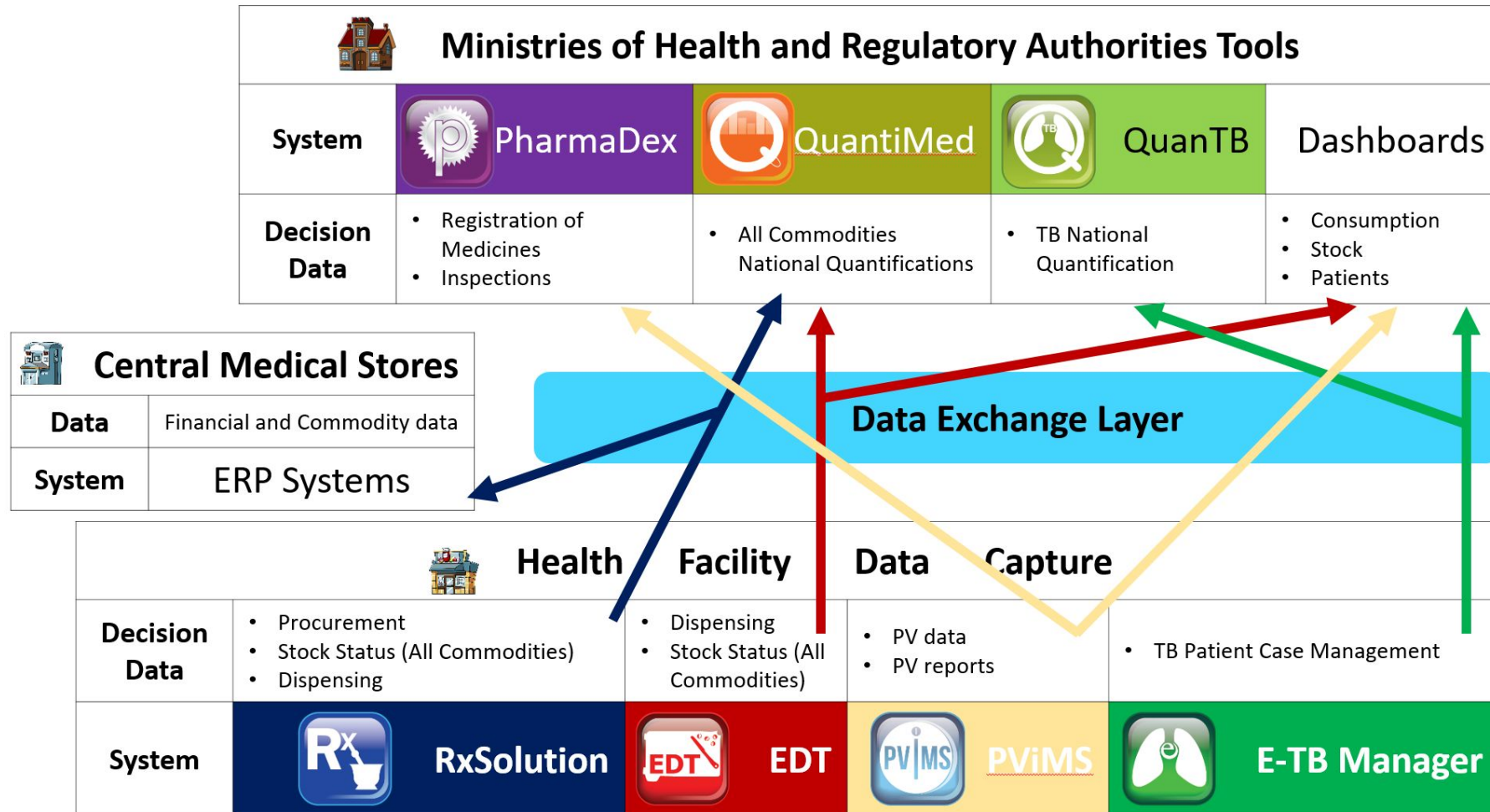
Benefits

- Can ensure safer and higher quality service for patients at the service points

Challenges

- Needs strong processes, workflows and SOPs for the functions that the MIS support
- Needs good conversations with NMRA's to find the right balance between Cloud and On-Premise

Overview of available MSH Systems



RxSolution : Introduction

What problem does it solve?

- Supports areas with poor infrastructure - no or limited internet
- Enterprise level supply chain management - @ country level
- Enterprise level patient dispensing

How?

- Manages medicine & medicine supplies from supplier to the patient
- Submits data to central repository when connected



RxSolution: Supply chain facilities



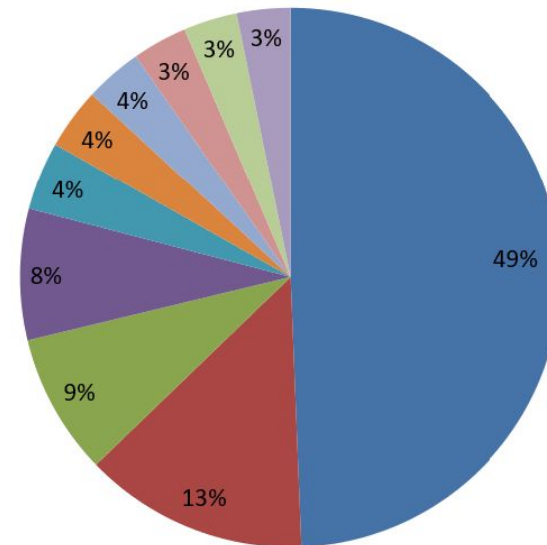
- Procurement, Inventory, Distribution, Dispensing and Down Referral Management.
- Automatic calculation of stock levels.
- Recommended order quantities.
- Keep track of outstanding orders.
- Expiry date register and reports.
- Integrate with other systems.
- Stocktaking.
- Forecasting.
- Monitor Expenses vs. Allocated Budget.

RxSolution: Issues

Graph 3.13

Issues Value By ATC Classification (2010/11 Financial Year)

- UNCLASSIFIED
- J01 - ANTIBACTERIALS FOR SYSTEMIC USE
- A07 - ANTIDIARRHEALS, INTESTINAL ANTIINFLAMMATORY...
- C08 - CALCIUM CHANNEL BLOCKERS
- A12 - MINERAL SUPPLEMENTS
- H02 - CORTICOSTEROIDS FOR SYSTEMIC USE
- A02 - ANTACIDS, DRUGS FOR TREATMENT OF PEPTIC ULCER AND FLATULENCE
- N03 - ANTIEPILEPTICS
- N02 - ANALGESICS
- N05 - PSYCHOLEPTICS





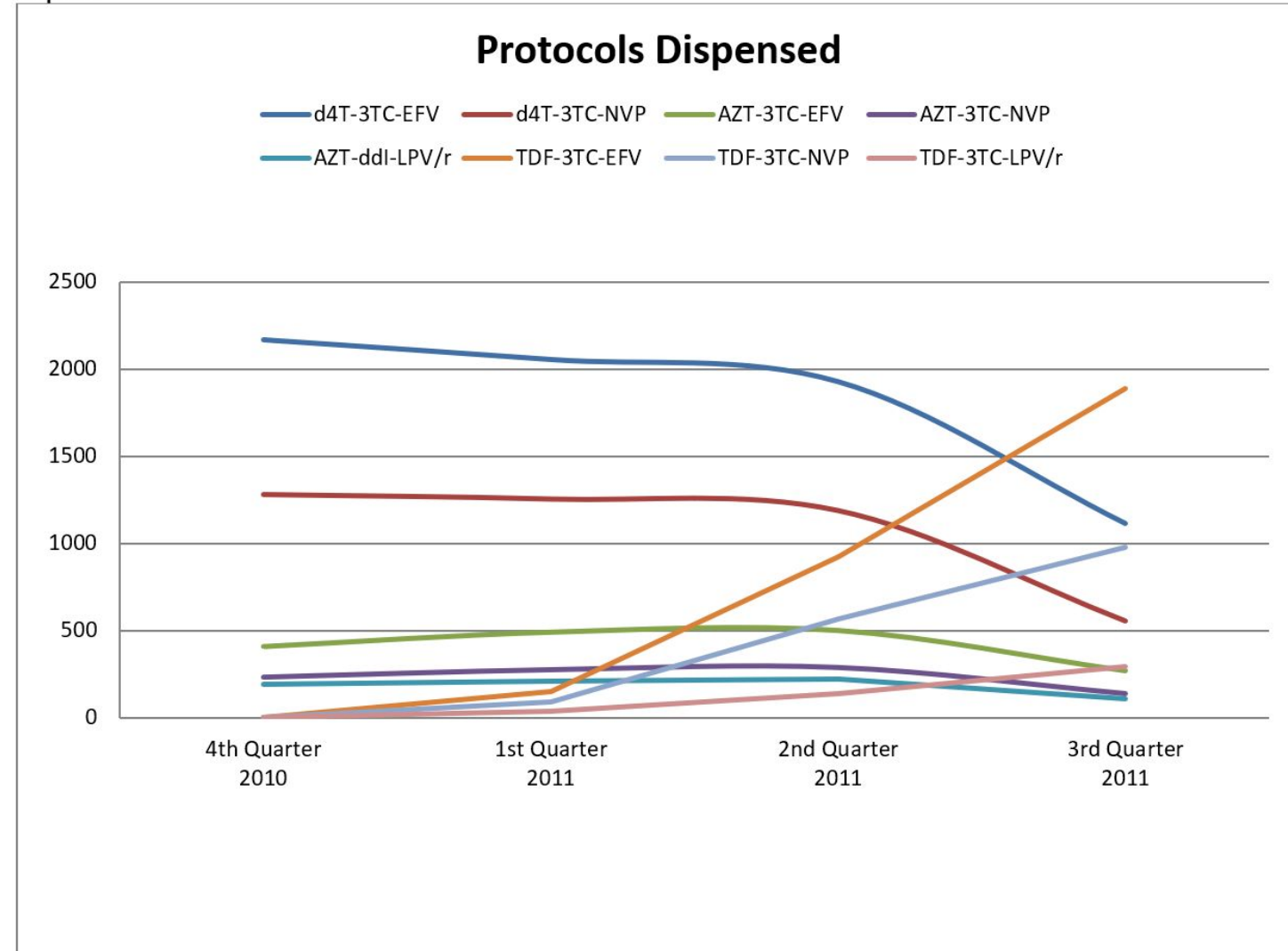
RxSolution: Dispensing capabilities

- Setup and Configure products
- Capture and document Patient Information
- Capture and document Prescriptions
- Access to product consumption information
- Access to prescriber trends
- Chronic Pre-Dispensing
- Customised labels
- Dispense Reports



RxSolution: Standard Treatment Guideline Tracking

Graph 4.6



RxSolution: Sustainability



- Developed by MSH in Eastern Cape funded by USAID/PEPFAR
- Established and sustainable (has no MSH/USAID support currently) in two African countries (Uganda & South Africa)
- 700+ sites, and primary public sector system in South Africa where it processes +/- \$1 Billion in medicines and medical supplies each year
- 300+ sites in Uganda
- Been through many security and financial audits
- Data warehouse
- Public sector innovation award - 2013 RSA



Future Plans

- Focus on **international** versions
- Build on **global standards** - pharmaceutical as well as software
- **Integrate** where possible and sensible
- Focus on **Sustainability** and **Handover**
- MSH approach: Tools are **Open Source** - <https://github.com/MSH>

Q&A



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