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African Union Communiqué on Eradication of ARF and RHD

Action Group 2 (Penicillin) Meeting Minutes

5 January 2017, Skype Conference Call

Time: 15h00 – 16h00 (South African Time)

1. **Welcome and Opening Remarks** - Sulafa Ali
2. **Attendees:** Sulafa Ali (SA), Aiden Long (AL), Jonathan Spector (JS), Nicky Kramer (NK), Janette Lombard (JL)
3. **Absent:** Geoffrey Madeira (GM), John Babtiste Nikiema (JBN), Alaa Ghamrawy (AG)
4. **Summary of Meeting:**
 - Penicillin Survey
 - No new responses (25 responses in total)
 - SA used summarised results presented in graphs for slide to present in Cairo
 - Cairo Meeting
 - SA Presentation
 - Discuss graphs from Survey
 - Cover 7 points
 - Penicillin unavailable in many countries
 - Skin testing widely practised
 - Lack of confidence in administration of Pen
 - Administration guide and training
 - No medical kits
 - Drug reactions
 - Quality of Penicillin
 - Enablers
 - Collaboration with Partners (Sandoz etc)
 - BPG is on Essential Drug List
 - Administration Guide
 - Barriers
 - Availability
 - Quality
 - Administration

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- AL: Opportunity in Cairo to validate answers on Survey
 - Some filled it in incorrectly (John Musuku on allergy and skin testing)
 - High number of reactions
 - Quality and availability (almost all indicated PEN is on Essential Drug list, but not necessarily available)
- NK on AL availability point
 - Being able to get it from the manufacture/wholesales
 - Agreed vendor sometimes cheaper and not concerned about the quality
- NK comments on slide
 - 11: Free Drug List: Costing that varies, mention the frustration
- JS: Where only 24 responses, mention that it is only a pilot Survey
 - Mention how many countries participated
 - Slide number 7: Important slide(Administration Guide)
 - FF will be presenting on another topic, SA should strengthen this slide
 - Medical team working on first draft
 - AL Manuscript (will be mentioned in AL's presentation as an example)
 - NK barriers (not ready to give "one-liner")
 - JS will help edit slide afterwards
- AL's presentation on Penicillin Allergy Testing
 - Briefly review all the world literature to form a framework for discussions and decisions
 - Will be open-minded and get everybody's input
 - Hopeful to reach a consensus on what to do
- AL on final slide, bullet 4 (Investigating BPG quality/ change to better brands)
 - Do we have a plan? How and when – routine poses?
 - WHO: Nikiema said he would help - CENQAM
 - Rosemary Wyber also offered help
- AL's Manuscript is accepted and approved for publication

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- Helpful for everyone to see what has been achieved
- We've encountered a high level of concern of Penicillin Allergy
 - By introducing an education Module, Training and Treatment kit, it significantly lowered the barrier of fear
 - Risk of allergy is never ZERO, there will be reactions, but very low
- JS: Paper copies of Survey for all the fill in at Cairo

5. Next steps

- All: To look at SA Slides for Cairo and comment

6. Closed with thanks

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