



Advantages, Challenges and Way forward on RHCLS in Sagaing Region

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Advantages

- More systematic RH commodities supply chain system
- Can avoid and reduce expiry of drugs
- Can calculate average monthly consumption (AMC) and estimate requirement of contraceptives for a year
- Can establish minimum stock level of RH commodities in small health facilities and reduce frequency and duration of stock out
- Relocation can be done within and between townships (e.g; OC pills, Inj; depo: etc)

Challenges (1): Human Resource

- No focal person for monitoring process in Regional level: Vacant MO (MRH)
- Technical insufficiency of the staff in townships and Region
- Training participants changes (RHCLS & Automation)
- Frequent turn-overs of township focal persons
- Cannot review the FSR in Township and Regional Level
- Newly appointed midwife need to give RHCLS training (218 MWs in 2019)
- Weak Supervision Visit for RHCLS in every level

Challenges (2): Coordination and management

- Weak Interdepartmental coordination (Nutrition and RH department)
- Limited coordination with Medical Care Unit
- Some Station Hospitals do not report FSR
- Leadership role for RHCLS in every level
- Pull system can only be applied for contraceptives and Inj Oxytocin, Misoprostol
- Some RH commodities supplied by tender cannot be integrated in the system
- Misuse of losses and adjustment column in Stock Lodger Book in some townships
- Less usage of misoprostol by BHSP, but large stock level and near expiry date shifting to push system

Challenges (3): Reporting and Logistics

- No timely report online (within one week)
- No timely report FSR hard copy (HTR areas)
- Stocks out of client profile (implants)
- Small storage capacity of townships – push system, issue all and leave no stock in townships' stores
- Use too many FSR books by BHSP (to correct wrong filling)
- Support for Internet bill in 2020 if JSI cannot support

Way Forward

- On-job training to newly appointed midwives at townships
- Assign and train focal person at Region for electronic monitoring and give timely feedback to decision maker
- Supportive supervision to Townships integrated with other jobs
- Feedback to townships for improvement in regular intervals through viber group
- Refresher training of township focal if budgets (+)

Suggestion

- It is advisable to appoint regional area coordinator by UNFPA for monitoring process
- Continue to support internet bill to Region and Townships for automation
- Sustainable supply of FSR, SLB, IRV and client profile
- Support budgets for training of newly appointed staff and refresher training of township focal
- Support budgets for supervision cost by Region

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