

BECOMING A SUPPLIER TO UNICEF

Steps for successful engagement

Quality Assurance for Pharma

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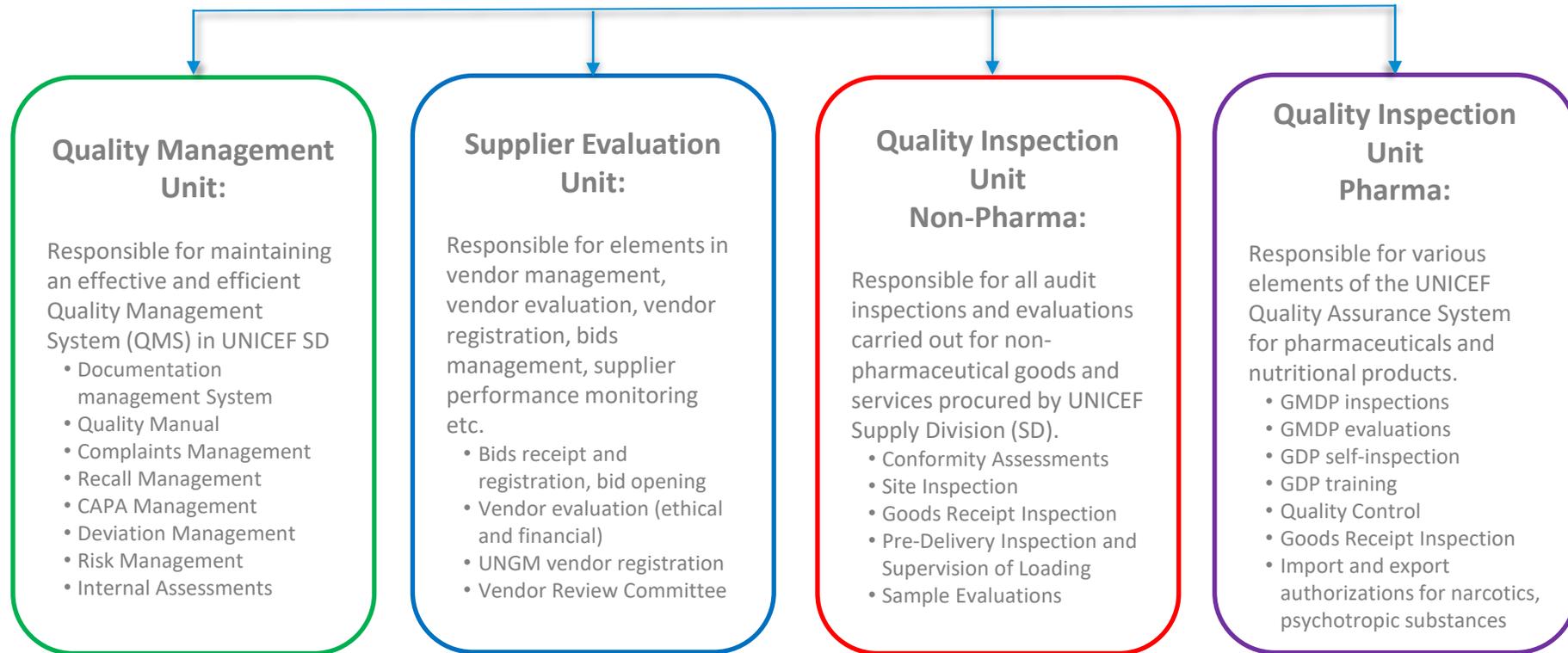
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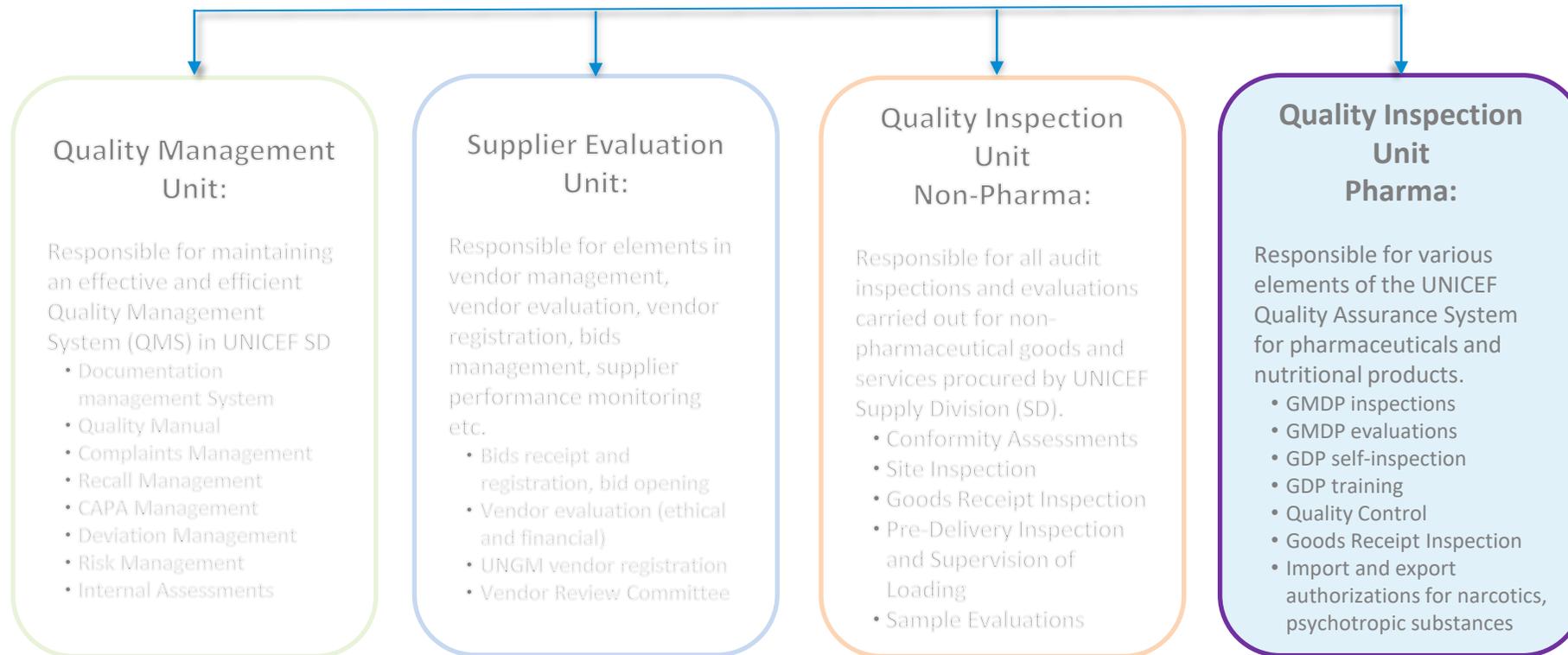
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Quality Management Unit:

Responsible for maintaining an effective and efficient Quality Management System (QMS) in UNICEF SD

- Documentation management System
- Quality Manual
- Complaints Management
- Recall Management
- CAPA Management
- Deviation Management
- Risk Management
- Internal Assessments

UNICEF Quality Management System (QMS):

- ❑ Based on ISO 9001:2015
- ❑ Documentation Management System include:
 - UNICEF SD Division Procedures
 - UNICEF SD Centre Procedures
 - UNICEF SD Internal Guidelines
 - UNICEF Regulatory Supply Documents across Supply Functions

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Supplier Evaluation Unit:

Responsible for elements in vendor management, vendor evaluation, vendor registration, bids management, supplier performance monitoring etc.

- Bids receipt and registration, bid opening
- Vendor evaluation (ethical and financial)
- UNGM vendor registration
- Vendor Review Committee

Vendor Evaluation:

- All UNICEF vendors are expected to register in UNGM <https://www.ungm.org/>
- Vendors screening include:
 - Ethical evaluation to obtain assurance that the vendor is not engaged in unethical conduct such as corruption, fraud, sexual exploitation or abuse, child labour, etc.
 - Financial position to mitigate associated risks like poor quality products, late delivery, insolvency, etc.
- Vendors involved in proscribed practices are referred to the Vendor Review Committee to decide on remedial action

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Quality Inspection Unit Non-Pharma:

Responsible for all audit inspections and evaluations carried out for non-pharmaceutical goods and services procured by UNICEF Supply Division (SD).

- Conformity Assessments
- Site Inspection
- Goods Receipt Inspection
- Pre-Delivery Inspection and Supervision of Loading
- Sample Evaluations

- ❑ Manufacturer audits and validation: trained QMS auditors
- ❑ Quality Control
 - Management of Pre-delivery inspections (PDI)
 - Sampling and Testing
 - Goods Receipt into the warehouse
- ❑ Sample evaluation
- ❑ Supply Division Quality Control laboratory

ISO 9001, 2015 QMS
 ISO 13485, 2016 QMS Medical Devices
 ISO 2859 Sampling Standard
 ISO 14001 QMS Environmental Systems
 SA 8000 Social Accountability
 Products related standards



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Quality Inspection Unit Pharma:

Responsible for various elements of the UNICEF Quality Assurance System for pharmaceuticals and nutritional products.

- GMDP inspections
- GMDP evaluations
- GDP self-inspection
- GDP training
- Quality Control
- Goods Receipt Inspection
- Import and export authorizations for narcotics, psychotropic substances

- ❑ GMDP requirements for *pharmaceutical products*
 - WHO GMP and GDP Guidelines for pharmaceuticals
 - National Guidelines where applicable

- ❑ GMP requirements for *nutritional products*
 - Codex Alimentarius, ISO 22000 for nutrition products, General Principles of Food Hygiene CXC 1-1969, Code of Hygienic Practice for Low Moisture Foods (and its Annexes) CXS 75-2016, Certification of Food safety management systems FSSC 22000

- ❑ GMP inspection frequency
 - Risk-based for pharmaceutical product suppliers
 - Every year for nutritional product suppliers

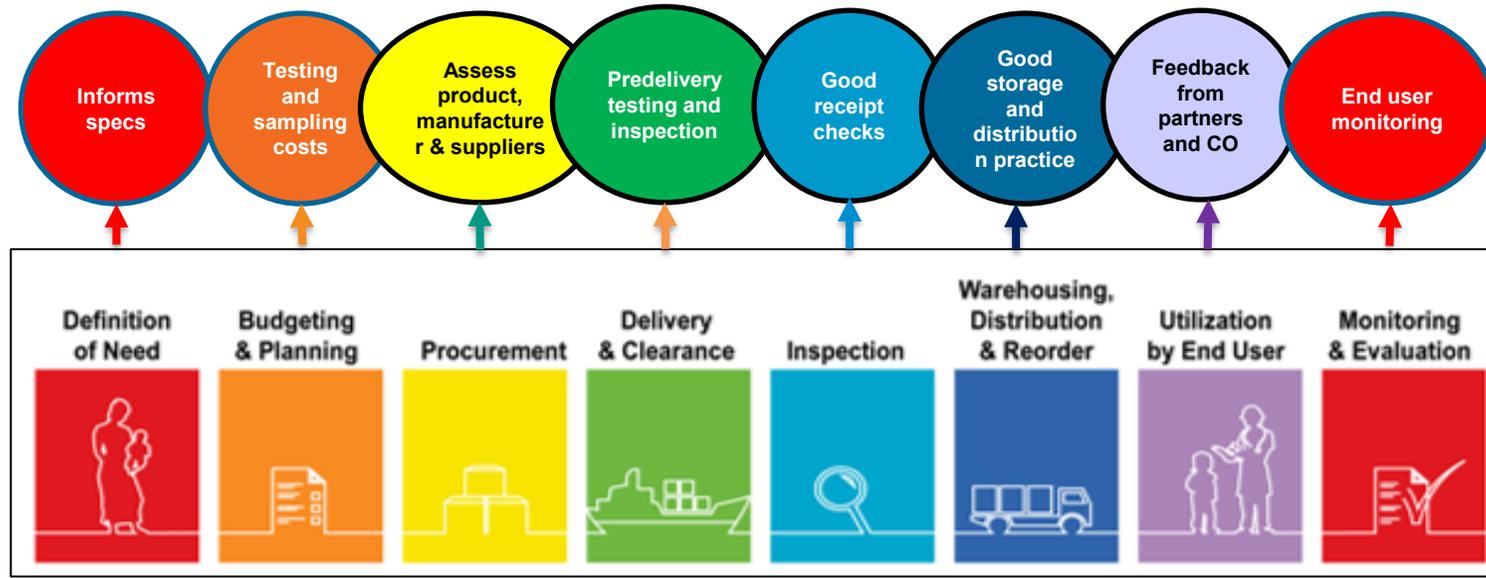
- ❑ WHO “Model Quality Assurance System for Procurement Agencies MQAS” - TRS 986 Annex 3 is used as a model for procurement of both nutrition and pharmaceutical products

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QA Role in the UNICEF Supply Chain

Ensuring **quality products** are available for use

Requires **Quality Assurance** throughout the Supply Chain



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SUPPLIERS & MANUFACTURERS PREQUALIFICATION

DESKTOP GMDP EVALUATION

Technical Questionnaire

Site Master File
incl. attachments

Manufacturing and/or
Wholesale License
incl. attachments

GMP / GDP certificates or
ISO 22000 or equivalent
as applicable

Recent Inspection Reports
incl. NRA and/or SRA

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TECHNICAL QUESTIONNAIRE

Pharmaceutical Manufacturers

Pharmaceutical Wholesalers

PURPOSE

- To perform a GMDP evaluation of company using a quality risk management tool to determine:
 - The need for a GMP / GDP audit.
 - The frequency, scope and duration of the GMP / GDP audit.
- Forms part of the document assessment in preparation for a GMP / GDP audit.

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OTHER VENDORS

FREIGHT FORWARDERS

- GDP inspections
- Contractual Agreements

QUALITY CONTROL LABORATORIES

- WHO PQ Quality Control Laboratories
- Risk- based good laboratory practice inspections
- Contractual Agreements
- Periodic performance reviews

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GMDP INSPECTIONS

PLAN

- Risk-based approach
- Using outcome of GMDP desktop evaluation
- Predicts criticality and inspection frequency
- Prepared yearly and reviewed twice yearly

PREPARE AND PERFORM

- Agree on inspection date
- Request relevant documents for review upfront
- Provide inspection plan in advance
- Extend invitation to local authority
- Inspection performed by UNICEF inspector(s)
- Inspection report shared
- Corrective and Preventative Actions reviewed & agreed
- Closing Letter
- Outcome communicated within UNICEF
- If negative, supplier blocked and shared with Partners where necessary

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SUPPLIERS & MANUFACTURERS RELIANCE FRAMEWORK

INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

- Interagency Joint inspections with WHO PQ, ICRC, MSF and WFP
- UNICEF is a Partner to the Pharmaceutical Inspection Cooperation Scheme (PIC/S)
- Sharing inspection reports and information with international partners and vice versa
- UNICEF relies on WHO PQ of vaccines, HIV, Malaria and TB products
- Sharing of rapid-alert information *incl.* complaints, recalls & counterfeits

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QUALITY MANAGEMENT

QUALITY CONTROL

DIRECT SHIPMENTS

- Pre-delivery inspections (PDI)

- Certificate of Analysis
 - Satisfactory remaining shelf-life
 - Product manufactured by the approved site

COPENHAGEN WAREHOUSE SHIPMENTS

- Visual Inspection
 - Product
 - Dosage form and strength
 - Quantity

- Annual Sampling & Testing Program
 - Risk-based selection
 - Contract laboratory WHO prequalified
 - Predelivery inspections for direct shipments

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QUALITY MANAGEMENT

COMPLAINTS and RECALLS

COMPLAINTS

- Dedicated complaints team
- Electronic database - CICA
- Complainant log directly into CICA
- Complaint categorized
- Solution Owner appointed
- Investigated
- Root cause identified
- Correction and/or corrective action implemented

RECALLS

- Triggers include:
 - Complaints
 - Rapid alert notifications
 - Inter Agency Collaborations
- Handled via CICA
- Participate in mock Recalls

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QUALITY MANAGEMENT

PHARMACOVIGILANCE

WHO DEFINITION

Pharmacovigilance is defined as the science and activities relating to the detection, assessment, understanding and prevention of adverse effects or any other drug-related problem*

UNICEF ROLE

As a wholesaler UNICEF plays the role of a *FACILITATOR ONLY*

i.e.

UNICEF pass any info received from the source (patient/country office) to the manufacturer (or our supplier, if different from the manufacturer)

*Ref: https://www.who.int/medicines/areas/quality_safety/safety_efficacy/pharmvigi/en/

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ONGOING ENGAGEMENT

TRANSPARENCY

QUALITY, SAFETY, EFFICACY

UPDATED MANUFACTURING
LICENSE & GMP CERTIFICATE

HONOUR CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENTS

VENDOR MANAGEMENT

UNIQUE BATCH NUMBERS

APPROVED API
SUPPLIERS

CoA's SHARED ON TIME

INFORM UNICEF OF ANY MAJOR CHANGES
incl. ALL GMDP NON-COMPLIANCES

UNICEF GUIDELINES

SUPPLIES FROM UNICEF APPROVED SITES

Thank you

