Making Markets Work for Reproductive Health

Generic manufacturers and their role in a sustainable RH market

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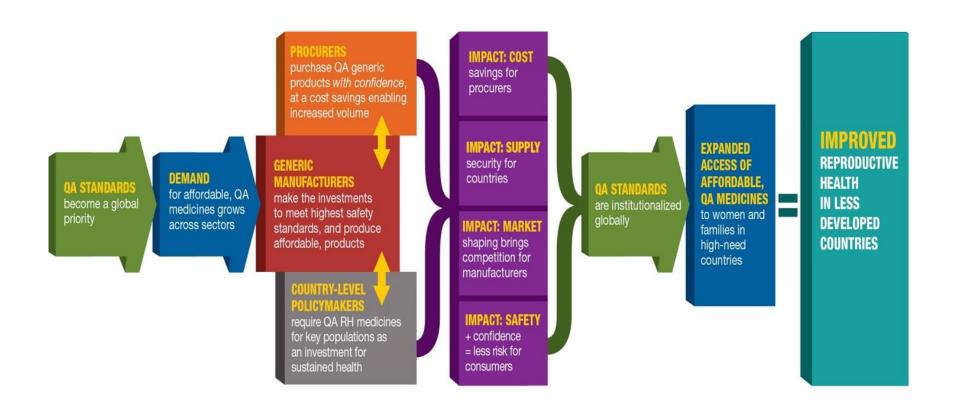
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Theory of Change:





Update: integrating QA generic RH products

Despite seeing an increase in the availability of QA RH generics over the past 5 years; we are still not seeing products entering markets

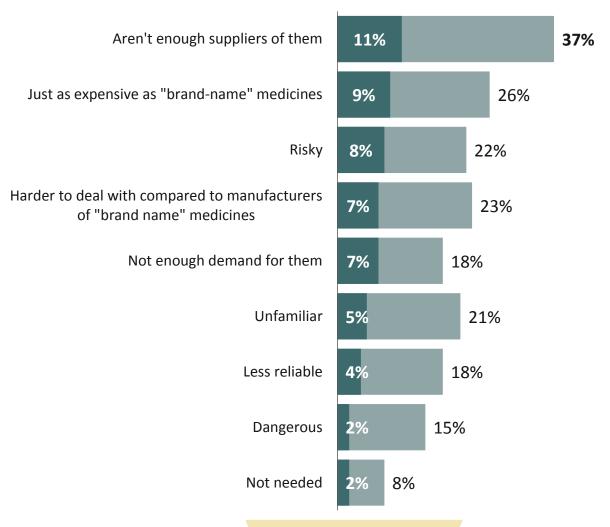
Challenges include:

- Product registration
- Timelines for entering institutional markets
- Accessing purchasing and distribution channels at the country level
- Negative perceptions around generics and their quality
- Brand recognition

Qualitative research was undertaken to better understand the dynamics at the country level influencing decision making around purchasing and supply of RH products

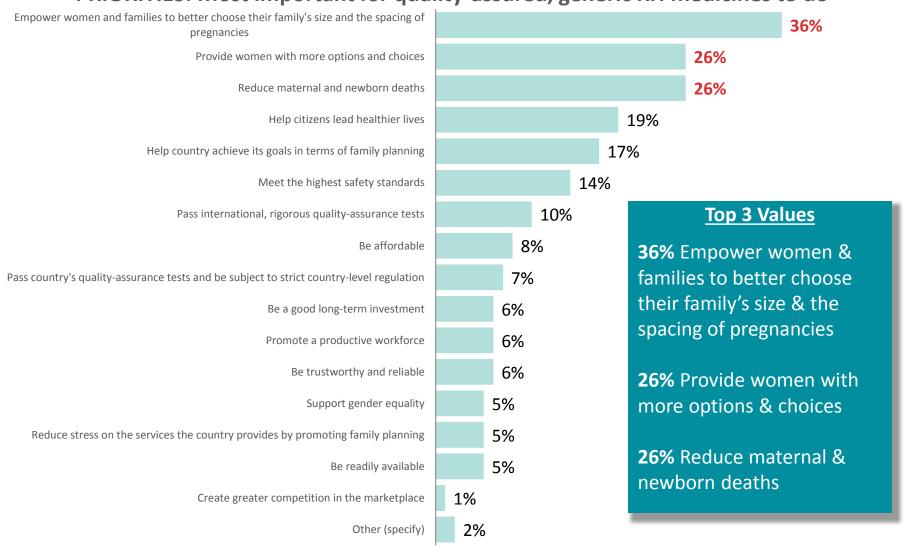


Negative associations with qualityassured, generic RH medicines



Existing narrative taps into value proposition

PRIORITIES: Most important for quality-assured, generic RH medicines to do



Ghana Overview

- Strong support for increasing the availability of QA, generic RH medicines
- Seals of approval to assure high-quality:
 - The company that manufactures the medicine has a good track record
 - The medicine has passed the country's standards and quality-assurance tests
 - The medicine has passed international standards and quality-assurance tests
 - This type of medicine is used in the U.S. and Europe
 - You know and recognize the name of the medicine
- Top association(s) with QA, generic RH medicines
 - Empowers women and families to better choose their family's size and the spacing of pregnancies
 - Reduces maternal and newborn deaths
- Doctors, OB-GYNs most trusted for information on the subject

Zambia Overview

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 - The medicine has passed international standards and quality-assurance tests
- Top association(s) with QA, generic RH medicines
 - Provides women with more options and choices
 - Empowers women and families to better choose their family's size and the spacing of pregnancies
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Challenges to sustainably integrating generic manufacturers into the RH market

QA generic RH medicines are available: how to get them into procurement mechanism and countries and continue to ensure quality?

Country-level research on attitudes to QA generic RH medicines:

- Lack of awareness concerning availability and supply of QA generic RH medicines
- Need to emphasize the definition of quality to properly differentiate from innovator or non-QA generic RH medicines

Shift in thinking to include the private sector within the generic access model - cross subsidization through market segmentation



What next?

- Continue to implement access strategies and support generics in navigating procurement mechanisms
- Continue to push quality agenda: institutionalize quality standards and define QA generic RH medicines at the country level
- Better articulate the value proposition
- Need to avoid single-source procurement and maintain competition to ensure sustainability
- Work with manufacturers towards market segmentation
- Innovative market approaches

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