

Healthcare reform in Egypt:

As Egypt's interest in developing and reforming of healthcare comes not only as one of the main pillars of Egypt's Vision 2030 but also the Global Goal 3 "Good Health and Well-being" for the 2030 UN Agenda for Sustainable Development.



The Egyptian
Government,
under the reign of His
Excellency President
Abdel Fattah El-Sisi, President
of the Arab Republic of Egypt,
started the restructure of the
healthcare system by
establishing a number of new
independent authorities in
addition to implementing many
reforms and measures to create



a good climate for investment in the Egyptian healthcare sector, adopting a set of ambitious development goals locally, regionally, and internationally.



About UPA

As the healthcare sector is one of the main areas of focus of Egypt's 2030 Vision,

UPA was established under Law act No.151 of 2019 and its executive regulations of the law were issued under the Decision No. 777 of 2020.

UPA's contribution in promoting and developing the healthcare system tends to ensure the provision and supply of all health technology products, confront monopolistic practices, and develop industry

through the procurement of all the necessary pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and equipment for all of the governmental sectors in order to contribute to the improvement of the Egyptian citizen's health



As an important part of the current healthcare restructuring, its role is to contribute to the core values of Egypt's 2030 healthcare vision:



Our Vision



To be a strategic health technology management entity enabling efficient use of resources and a sustainable equitable access to all Egyptians

Our Vision



As a centralized procurement and supply interface, UPA aims to ensure equitable access of medicinal and Health Technology products through conducting:

- Evidence-based technology assessments
- Value-driven procurement methods
- Establishing a robust and a sustainable supply chain

Services



Establishing annual inventory and collection systems for the needs of the requesting parties of the pharmaceutical preparations, medical supplies, and equipment using UPA e-platform.

Setting specifications and indicative criteria for the requesting parties in preparing procurement plan for their needs of the pharmaceutical preparations, medical supplies, and equipment according to the international standards.





Developing a system in coordination with the requesting parties for the assessment and reassessment of medical technology in accordance with the latest global systems to benefit from the valuable modern technology

Developing and managing the unified maintenance system for medical devices to improve after-sales services.





Strengthening the country's strategic medical stockpile to face any exceptional/urgent circumstances along with the guarantee of the right intervention.

Objectives



Achieving financial sustainability for the Egyptian healthcare system



Attaining the objectives highlighted in Egypt's 2030 Healthcare Vision



Maximizing the country's resources



of the inventory management process



Opening new markets for exportation



Ensuring the sustainability of the service through the continuous availability of medical products



Increasing the competitiveness of the local pharmaceutical industry



Fostering inter- regional collaborations



Improving the country's trade balance



Improving the business investment climate



Enhancing the productivity of the medical supply chain operations



Focusing on the localization of the medical products industry



Support domestic products in exporting opportunities



Attracting foreign direct investments

Main pillars of UPA:

UPA carries out its work through three main stages

First stage Assessment

It is executed by the central Administration of Health Technology Management as it involves Evidence-based technology assessments of the needs of requesting parties in terms of medical technology products such as pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, equipment, diagnostic equipment and consumables via priority setting and promoting the introduction of effective innovation; in addition to, re-assessments of the adopted technologies to ensure best allocation of resources.

Second stage Procurement

It is executed by central Administration of unified procurement through conducting Value-driven procurement methods with fact-based negotiation to provide the necessary quantities of health technology products with the highest quality and optimum price to cover all the needs of the requesting parties.

Third Stage Supply

It is executed by the central
Administration of medical supply by establishing a robust and sustainable supply chain, assuring the access of health technology products to the requesting parties at the right place and time.

Ongoing Projects:

6 Strategic Warehouses

6 strategic warehouses are to be constructed in the Free Zone areas around the republic of Egypt and managed for storing and distributing pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and strategic medical equipment to hospitals and medical centers in Egypt.

The main purpose of the project:

- Enhancing the competitiveness of the Egyptian economy by providing logistical services to local and foreign companies.
- Exploiting Egypt's strategic position on the world map as a regional center and a window for these companies' access to the African and Middle East market.
- Providing a stockpile of Pharmaceuticals, medical supplies, and equipment to face any emergency situations.
- Providing modern mechanisms for inventory management and storage based on international practices and standards.



Ongoing Projects:

Localization of Medical Industry

With the governmental intensified efforts to deepen and localize the Medical industry, in order for the industrial development in the Healthcare sector to act as one of the main pillars of economic growth, meet domestic demand, support export growth, the Egyptian government is willing to exploit promising



opportunities to cooperate with distinguished international companies to achieve integration in the medical industry and attract more investments, with the objective of supporting the development of the healthcare in Egypt. This comes in conjunction with implementing the strategic plan for sustainable development: Egypt's Vision 2030 that seeks to enhance Egypt to become a not only continental and regional center in this industry but also an active player in the global economy and to be able to adapt to global changes.



Prime Minister Decision No. 3435 of 2022 regarding the formation of a committee chaired by the Prime Minister and the membership of a number of ministries and concerned authorities.

The rapporteur of the committee will be the chairman of the Egyptian Authority for Unified Procurement to facilitate the procedures for establishing factories for medical preparations, supplies and equipment in Egypt.

Ongoing Projects:



Under the auspices of H.E the president of Egypt Abdel El fattah El-Sisi, the Egyptian Authority for Unified procurement, Medical Supply, and Management of Medical Technology (UPA) endorsed for the second year Africa Health ExCon from 7-10 June 2023, an annually held event, in efforts of making Africa a hub for health innovation and trade.



Africa Health ExCon, the largest Medical Conferences and Exhibition in Africa, aims to create a sustainable platform connecting the world healthcare and trade professional under one common roof, allowing them to not only network and foster professional relationships but also explore new strategies and partnerships towards promoting health technology & innovation, building capacities, and encouraging collaboration & health trade inter/intra the Africa continent.

Ongoing Projects:

Africa Health ExCon



The second edition of Africa Health ExCon 2023 had managed to bring together 39,964 healthcare and trade professionals from 113 countries. More than 300 exhibitors display their health technology products and innovations, 23 sponsors, 5 pavilions, 15 international partners on an area of 40 square meters at Egypt International Exhibition Centre (EIEC) Cairo, Egypt, showcasing in a varying degrees of health sectors: Pharmaceuticals & API's, Medical Devices & Consumables, Diagnostic Equipment, Devices & Consumables, Medical Equipment, Digital solutions, Healthcare Providers, Dental Equipment & Consumables.



On top of that, 28 scientific conferences, 26 workshops, 316 sessions and numerous accredited CME by Royal College of Surgeons and American Association For Continuous Medical Education were held at Africa Health ExCon 2023 with the presence of 1547 speakers.

Over 360 governmental healthcare representatives, CEOs, and decision makers from around the world who are developing a sustainable healthcare strategy attended this high-level gathering