

INFORMATION NOTE

Preparing for a continental GMP Inspection by AMRH inspectors in support of the Pilot for Human Medicinal Products Listing

To: **Manufacturers participating in the Continental Pilot**

From: **African Medicines Regulatory Harmonization (AMRH)**

Subject: **Pre-inspection document submission for GMP compliance assessment**

Introduction

This information note outlines the key documents manufacturers should submit electronically to gmp@amrh.org ahead of a scheduled continental Good Manufacturing Practice (GMP) inspection by AMRH inspectors. Providing this information in advance allows inspectors to prepare effectively and gain an understanding of your manufacturing site's operations. A well-organized submission streamlines the inspection process and facilitates a more focused continental GMP assessment.

Required Documents

Please submit the following documents electronically at least 15 days after the submission of your dossier or prior to your scheduled inspection (where applicable):

- 1. Quality Policy:** This document outlines your commitment to quality pharmaceutical manufacturing that adheres to continental GMP regulations.
- 2. Quality Manual:** This comprehensive document details your quality management system (QMS) and its implementation across the organization.
- 3. Site Master File (SMF):** This file compiles essential information about your facility.
- 4. Site layout and facility of interest's material and process flow schematic drawing.**
- 5. Validation Master Plan (VMP):** This plan outlines your approach to validating processes, equipment, and cleaning procedures, ensuring they meet GMP and quality expectations.
- 6. Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) Index:** A list of all SOPs available for all manufacturing processes and activities:
- 7. Where applicable, list of products, batch numbers and quantities** exported to any African Union member states participating in the AMRH program in the preceding two years to the inspection date.
- 8. Approved and current organizational chart/organogram** showing the key personnel and departments at the manufacturing facility.

- 9. Where applicable; GMP certifications held (such as from country of origin, SRAs, or WHO PQ inspections)**

Benefits of Pre-Submission

- Allows AMRH inspectors to tailor their inspection plan to your specific operations and ensure alignment with continental GMP guidelines.
- Reduces on-site inspection time, minimizing disruption to your manufacturing activities. This may also allow for the GMP Technical Committee to opt for the desk assessment or remote inspections.
- Facilitates a more focused and efficient inspection process focused on areas requiring deeper evaluation.

By working together, we can ensure a smooth and efficient continental GMP inspection that upholds the highest quality standards for medicines across Africa.

Contact Information

For any questions regarding this information note or the pre-inspection document submission process, please contact the AMRH Secretariat at gmp@amrh.org and copy to: amrh@nepad.org