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To:

- PDMS/PDHS

RE: BUFFERING OF ALL FACILITIES TO FOUR MONTHS OF STOCK WITH HIV COMMODITIES.

NASCOP has put in measures to ensure that all health facilities are well stocked with HIV/AIDS commodities at all times. The program also recognizes the need to beef up facility stocks beyond the routine three months of stock during the December 2012 to April 2013. This was to ease patients' re-fills during the festive season and also to cover all clients' need during the election period. These stocks need to be maintained at four months of stock up to the period after the general elections as desired.

In this regard, a decision was reached by the HIV Commodity Security Committee to buffer all facilities:

1. To maintain four months of stock for the antiretroviral medicines
2. Have Adequate test kits
3. Have Nutrition commodities
4. Maintain sufficient Condoms

Some facility stocks were therefore buffered to four months of stock (4MOS) for the December 2012 order according to availability of stock at both KEMSA and Kenya Pharma central warehouses. It has been noted that in the January stock orders, majority of the facilities did not order any commodities not realizing the need for contingency measures that were in place.

This letter is to therefore request that at end of January 2013, facilities order adequate stocks to cover the new four months of stock ceiling.

Further communication on contingency measures will be made from the national level. For further communications and clarification contact:

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Yours faithfully,

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