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Approaches and Tools for Strengthening Pharmaceutical Systems

Tanzania Pharmaceutical Student's Association (TAPSA)

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Who We Are- Overview of TAPSA

- Tanzania Pharmaceutical Students' Association (TAPSA) is an autonomous, non-political, non-religious, non-profit organization that brings together Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences students (Diploma and Degree) in Tanzania mainland and Zanzibar.
- TAPSA, formerly known as Association of Dar es Salaam University Pharmaceutical students (ADUPS) was founded in mid-August 1987. Registered under the Ministry of Home Affairs with Registration number S.A. 16820 on 11th May 2010. The Head Quarters of TAPSA is located at MUHAS premises in Dar es Salaam.

Drug Control and Enforcement Authority (DCEA)	Pharmacy Council (PC)
World Health Organization (WHO)	Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO)
Tanzania Women's Pharmacist Association (TAWOPHA)	Tanzania Medicines and Medical Devices Authority (TMDA)
Pharmaceutical Society of Tanzania (PST),	The Aga Khan Hospital, HPSS
Muhimbili National Hospital (MNH).	Muhimbili University of Health and Allied Sciences (MUHAS),

• TAPSA works closely with the Ministry of Health.TAPSA has conducted different projects in collaboration with Local and International Organizations:

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What We Do - In Pharmaceutical Systems Strengthening (PSS)

- Antimicrobial stewardship campaigns and rational use of medicines
- Community health promotions
- Webinars, symposiums and scientific conferences
- Retreat programs on NCDs and NTDs







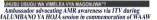
















Ambassadors at TBC FM in STIMELA session advocating AMR awareness.



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Ambassadors after session advocating AMR awareness via RADIO (I)

Particular PSS Gaps We See

- Inadequate level of education to the public on the importance of rational use of medicines
- Remoteness of some areas in the country
- Financial and material constraints to the reach out programs
- Less number of experts and pharmaceutical personnel in some areas precipitating self medications and irrational drug use

POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS

- Community reach out programs and campaigns on AMR, NTDs and NCDs to increase the public awareness
- Adequate and regular training to pharmaceutical personnel especially on preventive measures e.g. antibiograms and lifestyle changes
- Budget and funds allocation on finances and materials to facilitate the programs

Tools and Approaches We Use

- Workshops and training
- Questionnaires
- Flyers, brochures.
- Banners
- T-shirts













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