



Overview

## **Supply Chain Management**

Deliver™ Course



## Course Goal

The availability of drugs and other essential supplies determines the success of any health program. Without a reliable supply of contraceptives, a family planning program cannot serve its customers; without appropriate drugs, a tuberculosis program cannot offer treatment. An effective AIDS treatment program requires an uninterrupted supply of antiretroviral drugs.

Forecasting, quantifying, and procuring any commodity requires effectively and efficiently allocating existing and future resources and managing the procurement process. The efficient management of health commodities is imperative in an environment of increasing demand and limited resources. Therefore, effective inventory management of health commodities determines the effective delivery of any health system to a greater extent. It impacts all functions of any health system, including finance. Health systems need to manage health commodities logically and consistently to be effective.

S Buys Academy, in partnership with the USAID | DELIVER PROJECT, offers an introductory course in Supply Chain Management. At the end of this course, participants should be able to assess stock status, improve storage and warehousing conditions, serve as advocates for logistics and implement change in their own systems.





## Areas of Learning

Participants will engage in a range of activities, including simulation, case study, field trip, demonstrations, and exercises which will provide participants with the opportunity to increase their knowledge and skills in topics such as:

- Logistics Management Information Systems
- Inventory Control Systems
- Storage & Quality Assurance
- Logistics System Assessment, Monitoring & Evaluation
- Interrelationship of Policy and Supply Chain
- Basic forecasting
- Basic quantification and procurement planning

The exact content of the course will be adapted to address the needs of participants specific to the health programs with which they work.

## Who should Attend

Individuals responsible for planning, managing, or monitoring family planning, AIDS prevention and treatment or other health commodity logistics systems at the national level, either in the public or private sector. Specific responsibilities may include:

- Plans, implements and assists with activities designed to strengthen the supply chain
- Provides technical assistance on logistics
- Uses information for planning and managing programs
- Improves product availability
- Responsible for the completion and receipt of LMIS records/reports
- Determines order quantities
- Responsible for the storage and distribution of health commodities
- Assesses stock status at local and national levels

This course is also highly relevant for in-country managers from donor agencies that provide health commodities. The course will be conducted in English.

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# Interested?

## How to Apply

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