

- a. Provide an official identification to the owner or dispenser
- b. Register himself/herself in the Inspectors Register Book provided by the LMHRA/PBL to AMS upon accreditation
- c. Upon completion of inspection, write all required information in the Inspectors Register Book and the owner or seller and all inspectors in the team shall sign therein
- d. After the inspection, prepare an inspection report, copies of which shall be submitted to the inspectors' immediate supervisory body

AMS Expanded Medicines List

AMSs can dispense medicines from class C as well as from the expanded medicines list below. The expanded list takes into consideration the prescribing levels in line with the national standard treatment guidelines. An effort has also been made to ensure that the public has reasonable access to the most essential (key) medicines needed to treat common diseases found in the community. The medicines on this list are identical to those available at the clinic level, except for injectable medicines.



AMSs are not allowed to stock, dispense, or administer injectable medicines.



Approved Medicines for Accredited Medicine Stores (AMS) February 2013

Type of medicine	Medicine name	Strength (if applicable)
Analgesics and other non-steroidal anti-inflammatories	Annusol suppositories	
	ASA (acetylsalicylic acid)	
	Diclofenac sodium tablets	25 mg, 50 mg
	Hydrocortisone ointment/cream	0.5% or 1% (ointment)
	Ibuprofen 200 mg	
	Paracetamol (also known as acetaminophen)*	
Antacids	Aluminum hydroxide	
	Magnesium carbonate	
	Magnesium trisilicate	
	Milk of magnesia	
	Sodium bicarbonate	
Anthelmintic	Albendazole	
	Mebendazole	

Type of medicine	Medicine name	Strength (if applicable)
Anti-allergics/ Antihistamines	Cetirizine hydrochloride tablets	
	Chlorpheniramine (Chlonnene, [®] Chlortrimeton, [®] Piriton [®])	10 mg
	Cetirizine hydrochloride oral solution	5 mg/5 mL
Anti-amebic	Metronidazole tablets and syrup only	
Anti-asthmatics	Cromolyn sodium (only)	
Antibacterial NOTE: Sales of the injectable forms of any medicine in AMSs are prohibited.	Amoxicillin trihydrate capsules	250 mg, 500 mg
	Amoxicillin trihydrate oral suspension	125 mg/5 mL, 250 mg/mL
	Ampicillin	
	Chloramphenicol eye drops/ointment	1%
	Co-trimoxazole suspension	240 mg/5 mL in 100 mL bottle
	Co-trimoxazole tablets	480 mg
	Doxycycline capsules/tablets	100 mg
	Erythromycin oral suspension	125 mg/5 mL, 250 mg/5 mL
	Erythromycin tablets	250 mg, 500 mg
	Metronidazole tablets	200 mg, 250 mg, 400 mg
	Metronidazole suspension	200 mg/5 mL in 100 mL
	Nitrofurantoin tablets	50 mg, 100 mg
	Phenoxymethyl penicillin suspension	125 mg/5 mL 250 mg/5 mL in 100 mL
	Phenoxymethyl penicillin tablets	250 mg
	Silver sulfadiazine cream	10 mg
Tetracycline eye drop/ointment	1%	
Antidiarrheals	Metronidazole (tablet or syrup dosage form)	
	Oral rehydration salt (ORS)	
Anti-emetics	Metoclopramide	
	Promethazine syrup	
Anti-epileptic	Phenytoin tablets/capsules (sodium salt)	50 mg (tablet), 100 mg (capsule)
	Phenobarbital tablet	50 mg, 100 mg
Anti-fungal	Clotrimazole cream	1%
	Gentian violet, for 1% solution	25 g
	Griseofulvin tablets	500 mg, 100 mg
	Ketoconazole tablets	200 mg
	Nystatin oral suspension	100,000 IU/mL in 30 mL bottle
	Nystatin pessaries	100,000 IU
	Nystatin skin ointment	100,000 IU/g
	Nystatin tablets	500,000 IU,

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		100,000 IU
Antihemorrhoidal	Bland soothing preparations (e.g. Annusol, [®] yeast extract, or Preparation H [®])	
Antimalarials NOTE: Injectable forms of antimalarials and pyrimethamine in a non-combined form are prohibited.	Artemether + lumefantrine tablets	20 mg + 120 mg
	Artemether + amodiaquine tablets (AS/AQ)	100 mg +270 mg
	Quinine tablets (sulfate or bisulfate)	300 mg
Antispasmodics	Hyoscine butyl bromide tablets	10 mg
Cardiovascular (anti-arrhythmic drugs)	Propranolol tablets (hydrochloride)	10 mg, 40 mg, 80 mg
Dermatological	Benzoic acid / salicylic acid preparation (e.g., Whitfield ointment)	
	Benzyl benzoate (emulsion/lotion)	
	Calamine (e.g., lotion)	
	Clotrimazole (ointment or cream or pessaries)	
	Crystal violet (also gentian violet G.V., /methyl violet)	
	Hydrogen peroxide	
	Povidone iodine	
	Miconazole (ointment, cream, or pessaries)	
	Penicillin ointment (skin)	
	Sulfacetamide (preparations)	
	Sulfadiazine (ointment or cream)	
	Sulfur (ointment or cream)	
Zinc oxide and other zinc preparations		
Diuretics	Hydrochlorothiazide tablets	25 mg, 50 mg
	Honey preparations	
	Menthol and volatile oils (e.g., eucalyptol)	
Hematinic	Folic acid preparations (single and combined forms)	
	Oral iron preparations (single and combined forms)	
Laxatives	Bisacodyl tablets	5 mg
	Castor oil	
	Magnesium hydroxide	
	Magnesium sulfate (e.g., Andrew's Liver Salt [®])	
Mechanical contraceptives	Condom	
Nutrition supplements	Vitamin B complex preparations	
	Vitamin C	
	Mineral preparations	
	Multivitamin preparations (NOTE: except vitamin K)	
	Neurobion forte	

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	Zinc sulfate tablets	20 mg
Ophthalmic preparations	Chloramphenicol (eye) drops and ointment	
	Sodium cromoglycate (Optrex [®] drops/ointment)	
	Sulfacetamide eye drops/ointment	
	Tetrahydroxoline (Visine [®]) wash/drops	
Oral contraceptives	Ethinylestradiol + novethisterone	(0.03 mg) + (0.3 mg)
	Ethinylestradiol + levonorgestrel	(0.03 mg) + (0.15 mg)
Oral hygiene and otics	Gargles/mouth washes (e.g., Listerine [®])	
	Alcohol ear wash	
	Chloramphenicol ear drops	
	Hydrogen peroxide	
Sexual stimulants or aphrodisiacs	Ayuverdic preparation (except those with steroids)	
	Non-steroidal aphrodisiacs	
Therapeutic dressing materials	Adhesive tape (or plasters)	
	Antiseptics (or disinfectants,) including rubbing alcohol 50%	
	Bandages	
	Cotton	
	Gauze (compresses)	
Throat preparations	Amylmetacresol, dichlorobenzyl alcohol–contained lozenges (e.g., Strepsils [®])	

Source: Standards 2012, p. 19-22

Standards for Operating AMSs

The standards for operating AMSs have been developed to provide a basis for which services will be measured.

A **standard** is a level of quality or a specified level of quality that will be measured. Services will be considered to be of poor quality if they are perceived to fall below the stipulated standard.

Standards of Operation (from Standards 2012, p. 5–13)

(a) Personnel

Accredited Medicine Store Dispenser Basic Knowledge

- (1) A minimum qualification of a high school diploma shall be required for any person intending to be trained as an AMS dispenser and/or proprietor.
- (2) In addition to requirement (1), every dispenser shall be required to successfully complete an AMS dispenser-training course to be approved by the LMHRA/PBL. The course shall include but not be limited to the following:
 - a. AMS guidelines, regulations, and standards