

Which areas have been most successful ?

- Formulary Management
- Antibiotics
- TDM -Narrow Therapeutic agents
- Drug Handling – Renal and Liver
- Critical Care
- High cost areas
- Oncology
- Paediatrics
- Technical Services
 - CIVAS, Cytotoxic ,TPN

How were health providers and authorities convinced

- Cost containment – Formulary Management
- Medication errors
- Wastage from poor compliance
- Patient Safety Agenda and Clinical Governance
- Workforce shortages and skill mix
- Department of Health Guidance and Policy

Main difficulties and aspects to avoid ?

- Cost pressures – need to show improvements:
 - Cost containment
 - Patient safety and medication errors
 - Improving patient flows and meeting targets
- Expertise of Pharmacists
 - Support with an appropriate education and training infrastructure
- Confidence from other health care professionals
 - Collaboration with medical and nursing colleagues