

## IAPHL Scholarship Beneficiary's Report

- Purpose:** To participate in the 11th Global Health Supply Chain Summit at Radisson Blu Hotel from 28-30th November, 2018 in Lusaka, Zambia so as to appreciate what other countries and organizations do to have successful logistic systems and supply chains. Opportunity to learn from global health supply chain experts. To hear about success stories and breakthroughs in global health supply chain. Adopt lessons from the summit and incorporate them in our national laboratory logistics system. Connect, discuss and share experiences with colleagues and experts in supply chain from other countries.

- Participation/Photographs:**



- Contacts made/Networking**

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- **Lessons learned/Key takeaways:**

1. Our National Laboratory Logistics System is paper based. At the summit a lot of electronic tools, for example SIGLUS, logistimo, were presented which can be adopted for our system so that we can migrate to eLMIS.
2. Challenges of stock outs and expiries can be addressed by a working supply chain. Supply chain is one of the important pillars of health.
3. When dealing with Supply chain/Logistics, focus should be on addressing serious unmet needs. Government interest is essential for a working supply chain because leadership creates new visions, inspires and supports supply chains.
4. Solutions to Supply chain/Logistics challenges can be achieved through data capture and visibility, implementation of traceable platforms and smarter Supply chains.

- **Next Steps:**

1. Encourage pharmacy, procurement, supply chain and laboratory personnel, clinicians, health managers etc. to join IAPHL.
2. Implement eLMIS at our hospital using some of the tools presented at the summit so that we can improve on data visibility and stock availability.
3. Hold talks with the Deputy and Assistant Director in the Ministry of Health-Health Technical Support Services-Diagnostics (HTSS-D) for the possibility of implementing eLMIS nationally after piloting at our hospital.
4. Discuss with colleagues in private and public practice for the possibility of creating an IAPHL country chapter for Malawi.