A Partnership Approach to Address

Methanol Poisoning (MPi)

Project Summary —

Area/Type: Diagnostic Tools, Quality of Care

Sponsor/Support: MSF Hong Kong

Length/Project Status: 09 months; ONGOING



Problem

Methanol Poisoning disproportionately affects vulnerable population and is often underreported. In 2023, MPI detected 60 reported cases of global methanol poisoning incidents majority of it in Asian countries, leading to 714 cases and 309 deaths (43%).

Proposed Solution

MPI, a collaboration between MSF and Oslo University Hospital, aims to enhance awareness, diagnosis, and treatment. The multiphase approach includes assessing partnership in priority countries (Phase I) and raising awareness, improving access to diagnostic tools, and ensuring affordable antidotes and treatments (Phase II).





Potential Impact

- Enhance awareness and proficiency in diagnosing and treatment.
- Address stigma to contribute to the overlooked health crises of Methanol poisoning.
- Contributes to InterOC resources mutualization & collaboration.

Viability

- Features strong and experience team.
- Applies a multiphase approach.
- Leverages knowledge and expertise built over a decade.

Risk Mitigation

- Use collaboration for enhanced stakeholders commitment
- Leverage knowledge gained from MSF projects.
- Documents risks and mitigation plan while staying agile.

Scalability

- Leverage insights from phase 1 incubator.
- Engage internal working groups and share experience and lesson learned.
- Build business case for scale up both through MSF and beyond.