Curriculum Vitae

Personal information

Libert Chirinda

Work experience

Chief Regulatory Officer - Pharmacovigilance and Clinical Trials (PVCT) Division
Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe (MCAZ), 106 Baines Avenue, Harare, Zimbabwe
[February, 2022] – [current]

- Supervision of all vigilance activities at the MCAZ (pharmacovigilance, vaccine pharmacovigilance and haemovigilance) and evaluation of safety variations, promotional material, and safety updates
- Oversight of Good Vigilance Practice (GVP) and Good Clinical Practice (GCP) inspections
- Supervision of all clinical trials oversight activities
- Management and motivation of the team in the execution of the organisations strategic plan.
- Management and evaluation of the execution of the PVCT Division training needs assessment and training plan.
- Oversight of compliance with Quality Management Systems (QMS) and regulatory requirements
- Performance monitoring and evaluation of all PVCT processes and timelines.

External Evaluator – Clinical Assessor
South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA), South Africa
[July, 2020] – [current]

- Primary review (clinical assessment) of new applications and responses to reviewer comments for applications for registration of human medicines.
- Peer review (clinical assessment) of new applications for registration of human medicines.
- Primary review (clinical assessment) of responses to reviewer comments for applications for registration of human medicines.

Senior Regulatory Officer - Pharmacovigilance and Clinical Trials Division
Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe, 106 Baines Avenue, Harare, Zimbabwe
[August, 2016] – [January ,2022]

Regulatory Officer - Pharmacovigilance and Clinical Trials Division
Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe, 106 Baines Avenue, Harare, Zimbabwe
[September, 2013] – [July ,2016]

Education and training

Master Of Health Sciences Degree - Pharmacovigilance
University of Kwazulu-Natal (UKZN), South Africa
[January, 2015] – [April, 2018]

Bachelor Of Pharmacy Honours Degree
University of Zimbabwe (UZ), Zimbabwe
[September, 2008] – [April, 2012]

Trainings and Certifications

- Train the Trainer Fellowship on Pharmacovigilance and Clinical Trials Oversight by Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI) under the Global Health Protection Programme (GHPP) (September 2024)
- Hands-on Training on the aspects of the Clinical Trials Oversight and Pharmacovigilance System in Zimbabwe by Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI) under the Global Health Protection Programme (GHPP) (January 2024)
- Pharmacovigilance training by Paul-Ehrlich-Institut (PEI) under the Global Health Protection Programme (GHPP) (March 2023)
- Dossier assessment for clinical assessors within the African regulatory agencies Pharmacometrics Africa in collaboration with the University of the Witwatersrand (2022)

Additional information

Publications

Projects

Memberships

- Member of the WHO International Working Group for Drug Statistics Methodology (March 2024 to current).
- Country focal person for the SPaRCS (Strengthening Pharmacovigilance and Regulatory Capacities in four Southern African countries) project (1 April 2020 - 31 October 2023)
- Member of the National Medicines and Therapeutics Policy Advisory Committee (NMTPAC), involved in overseeing the implementation of the Zimbabwe National Medicines Policy (NMP) and also endorsing standard treatment guidelines and essential medicines lists for common health conditions in Zimbabwe (2022 to current).
- Member of the National Ethics Committee, involved in ethics review and approval of medical research in Zimbabwe (2018 to current).
- Involved in the drafting and subsequent revisions to the Zimbabwe Pharmacovigilance Policy and Guidelines Handbook (December 2013 and December 2016).
- Involved in the drafting and subsequent revisions of the Adverse Events Following Immunisation (AEFI) guidelines in Zimbabwe (December 2013 and December 2016).
- Involved in revisions to the Medicines Control Authority of Zimbabwe (MCAZ) Guidelines for Good Clinical Trial Practice in Zimbabwe (November 2018).
- Involved in the development and deployment of the MCAZ electronic system for submission of Individual Case Safety Reports (ICRSs) and submission of applications for authorisation to conduct clinical trials (October 2017 –

December 2018).

Other Relevant Information