



# Ghana: A Model for Achieving Results at Scale

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### The power of public-private partnerships



#### Capitalizing on existing policy environment

- Program launched in 2012 alongside public sector program
- Public-private partnership with the Ministry of Health
  - Zinc on Essential Medicines List
  - Zinc re-classification to over the counter status
  - Standard treatment guidelines recommend use of ORS and zinc

#### Ensuring quality, affordable, local supply

- Prior to 2012, no zinc products in either public sector clinics or private retail outlets
- SHOPS had active partnerships with two local manufacturers
  - Provided TA for local production of quality zinc tablets
  - Affordable prices set to meet NHIS reimbursement rates
  - Built on existing distribution systems
- 70% of retail outlets now carrying zinc;
   90% carrying ORS

#### Targeting front line private providers

- Identified OTCMS as key frontline providers
- Partnered with regulatory agency (Pharmacy Council) to deliver training and supportive supervision
- Built capacity of Pharmacy Council inspectors



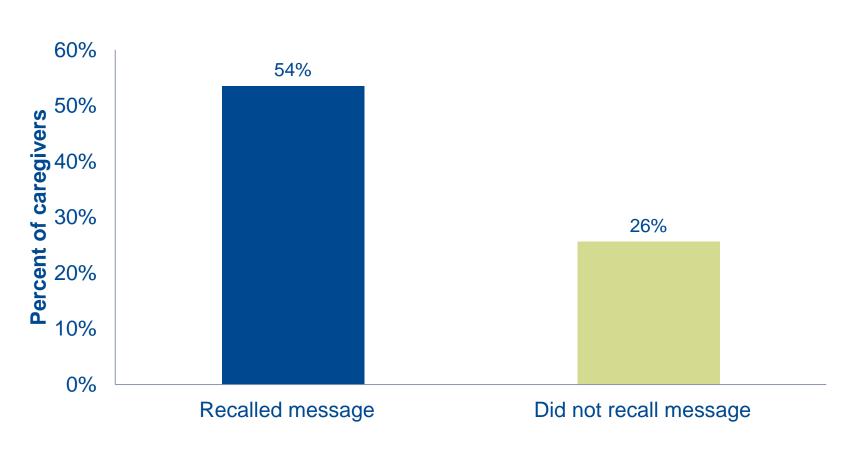
#### Creating demand among caregivers

- Generic media campaign
  - JHU/CCP/Good Life campaign
  - Community mobilization
  - Outreach to primary health centers
  - Promotional materials disseminated
- Brand promotion by local manufacturers

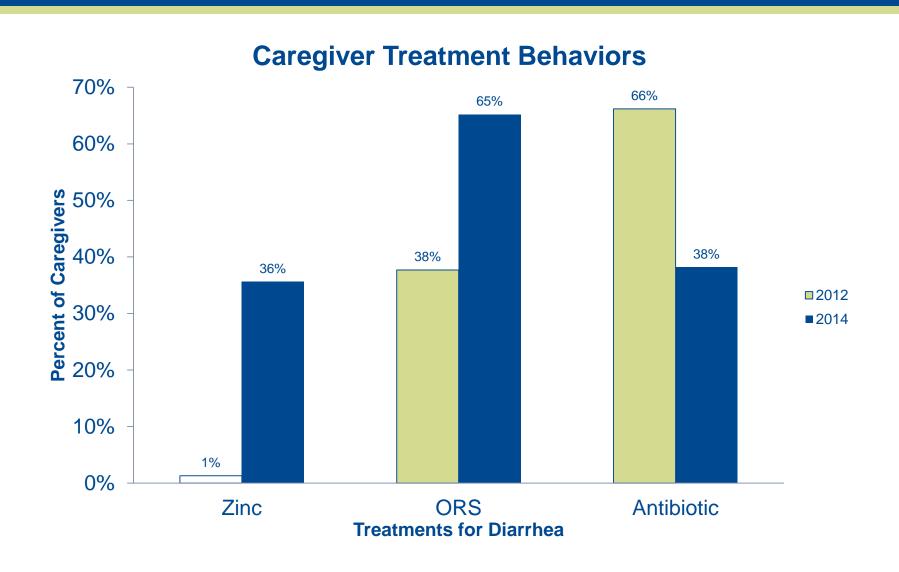


## Caregivers who recalled "Zinc should be used with ORS" were more likely to use both

#### Caregivers who used both zinc and ORS



#### Significant increase in appropriate use



#### Saving children's lives

- Rapid national scale up—achieved
   36% use rate in three years
- Key partnerships with Ghana Health Service and Pharmacy Council
- Sustainable local supply through Pharmaceutical Manufacturers
- Enhanced awareness through behavior change communication
- Improved provider behaviors from zero to 60% recommending zinc







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