

EBOLA VIRUS DISEASE

WHAT CAN PHARMACISTS DO ABOUT IT?

The pharmacy workforce can play a key role in preventing the spread of Ebola virus disease (EVD) by:

- 1** Understanding the nature of the disease, how it is transmitted, and how to prevent it from spreading;
- 2** Knowing about the EVD programmes developed at national level (including the closest referral centre);
- 3** Informing, advising and educating the community;
- 4** Screening any suspected cases and referring them in a timely and safe manner to appropriate healthcare facilities and health authorities;
- 5** Supplying appropriate products;
- 6** Encouraging individuals and families with suspected cases of EVD to seek treatment from healthcare facilities that possess the appropriate environment and equipment to manage EVD patients.