Building a Comprehensive Health Care Waste Management System

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- Developed standard operating procedures, accountability and product requirements.

- Implemented the country’s first certified waste transport system.

- Developed nation and program training curricula and monitoring materials.
Challenges

• Disposal of non-sharp surgical instruments

• Implementation of an infectious waste transport system that adhered to national regulations

• Lack of budgetary funding for incinerator operation

• Lack of standard operating procedures and training materials
National HCWM System Impact

• VMMC offered opportunity to broadly address HCWM needs

• Process fostered donor and government collaboration

• Developed sustainable solution for VMMC and the entire country.
Thank you!