Prescribing Companion

Features overview and quick start guide

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Introduction to the app & disclaimer

The App can be used on compatible Android and iOS devices.

All country-specific guidelines are fully developed, owned, and managed by the individual country. This includes any additional content such as intervention tools, audit tools, etc.

Upon the App's launch, the in-country App Champion is responsible for managing the country content, which includes uploading the newest version of the country guidelines and additional resources.

Any international resources available are fully owned by the respective organisations, e.g. WHO and CDC and these are embedded in the App as live links to these third-party websites, which auto-update when new updates are available.

The App has been designed to minimise the need for internet access. Once the app is downloaded, all country-specific guidance is available offline. Where information such as international guidance/resources is on an external site, e.g., WHO, company websites, etc., an internet connection will be needed. The prescribing companion website is only available online.
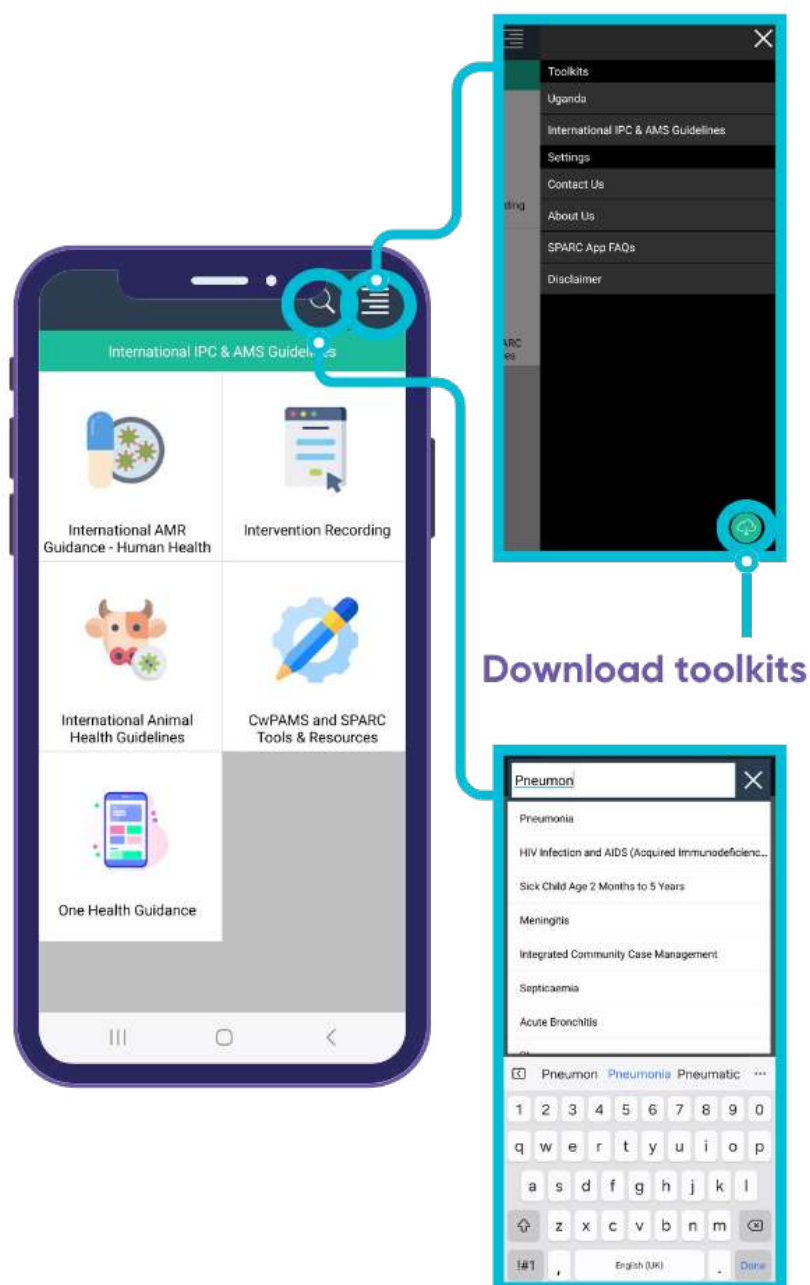
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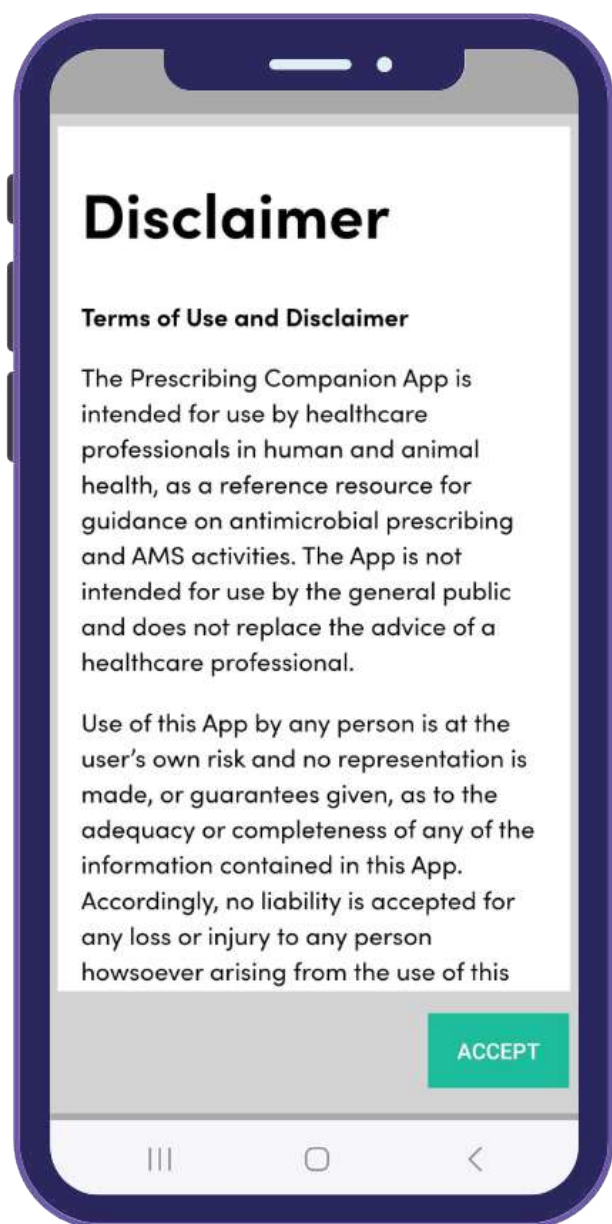
Before you can access any content contained in the Prescribing Companion App, you must accept the **Terms of Use** and **Disclaimer**.

Features at a glance

Before we begin with how to access the toolkits and resources, let us take you through the main features so you can get the most from the app.

Quick menu (and downloading additional toolkits)

Click the quick menu button from any app page to access the resources, called 'Toolkits'. Any toolkits that have already been downloaded to the app will be displayed here.

Tap the download button to browse and download available country toolkits.

From the quick menu, you can also access **Contact Us details**, **About Us information**, **frequently asked questions (FAQs)** and view the **disclaimer** again.

Download toolkits

Quick search

Hit the magnifying glass icon to use the quick search function. Just start typing a search term and the app will return matching results for the toolkit selected.

Tip! You can use the quick search box to quickly return results for a specific disease area.
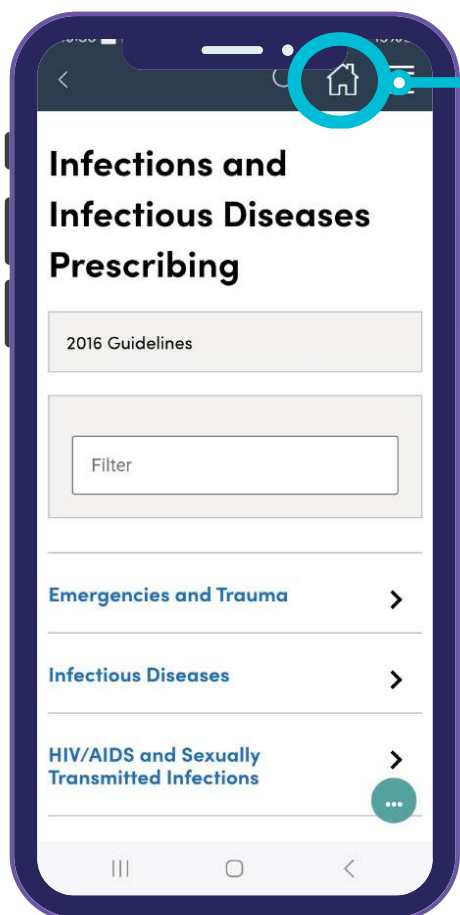
Return to homepage

Tap the home icon from any resource within a toolkit to return back to that toolkit's home page.

Useful utilities
You can access several useful utilities from the page of any resource.
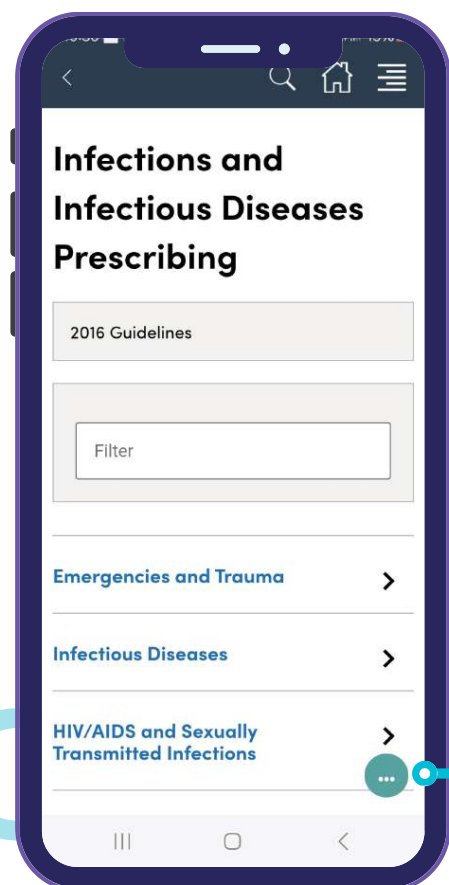
Feedback
Send feedback to resource editors.

Notes
Add notes or comments to look back on.

Pin
Pin your favourite resources for quick access.

Tap the download button to browse and download available country toolkits.

Quick start user guide

International AMS and IPC resources

Upon accepting the disclaimer, the **international AMS** & **IPC** toolkit is displayed by default.

⚠️ This toolkit contains website links to external resources and websites and must be accessed with an internet connection.

It can be navigated as follows:

International AMR Guidance   Human Health

Here you can find links to the WHO Essential list of Anti-infectives, stewardship tools and other IPC assessment and guidance documents as well as certified training.

Intervention recording

This section contains an audit form, to identify the range of interventions made by health professionals as a result of using the App. We encourage users to complete this to help further develop the App and demonstrate its impact.

International Animal Health Guidelines

International resources for animal health include the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations (FAO) action plan on antimicrobial resistance (2021-2025), an AMR hub to support veterinarians.

CwPAMS and SPARC Tools & Resources

Access some of CPA's tools and resources such as the AMS game, CPD platform and more.

One Health Guidance

In this section, you can access various national and international resources for implementing a One Health approach.

Accessing country toolkits

To access country toolkits once they have been downloaded, open the **quick menu** and select from a **toolkit**.

The dashboard of every country's toolkit looks the same and can be navigated as follows:

Infections and Infectious Diseases Prescribing
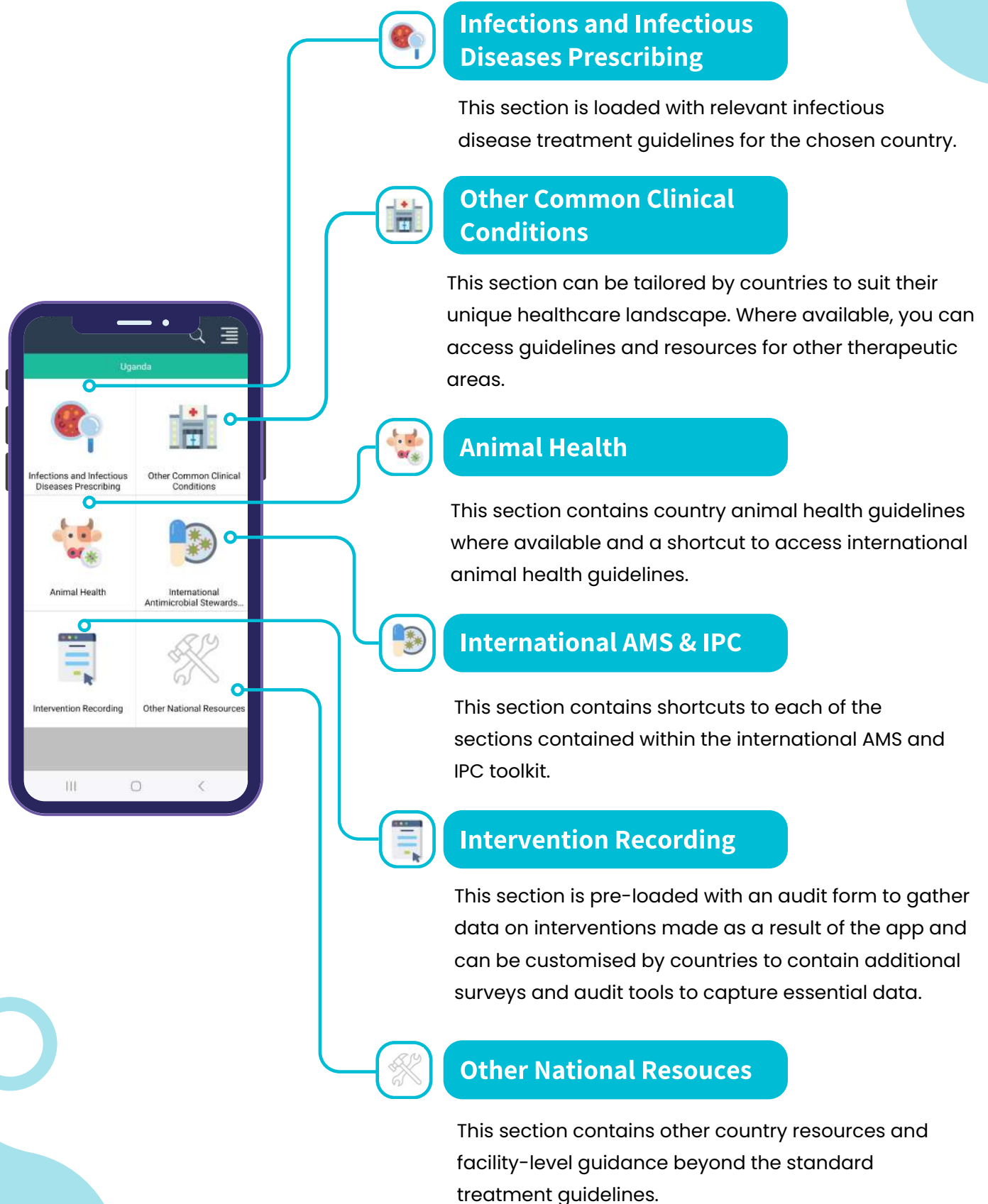
This section is loaded with relevant infectious disease treatment guidelines for the chosen country.

Other Common Clinical Conditions

This section can be tailored by countries to suit their unique healthcare landscape. Where available, you can access guidelines and resources for other therapeutic areas.

Animal Health

This section contains country animal health guidelines where available and a shortcut to access international animal health guidelines.

International AMS & IPC

This section contains shortcuts to each of the sections contained within the international AMS and IPC toolkit.

Intervention Recording

This section is pre-loaded with an audit form to gather data on interventions made as a result of the app and can be customised by countries to contain additional surveys and audit tools to capture essential data.

Other National Resouces

This section contains other country resources and facility-level guidance beyond the standard treatment guidelines.
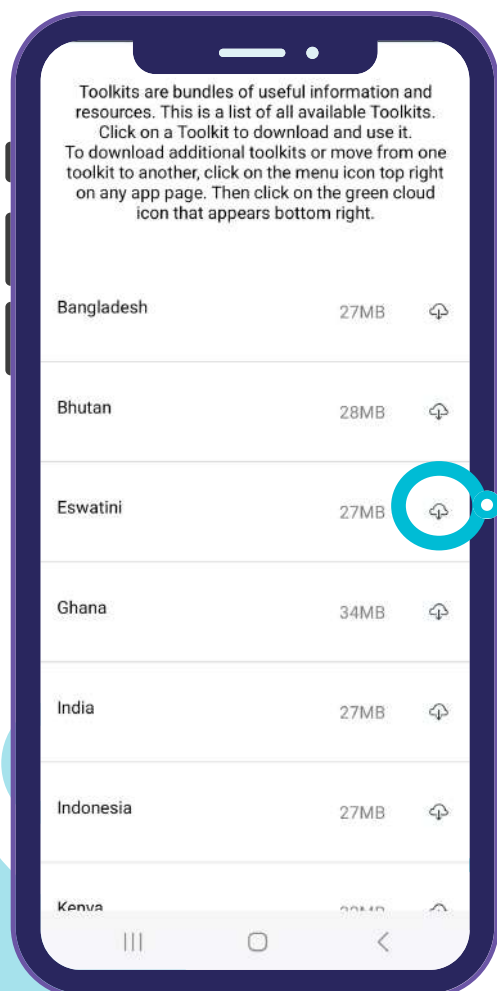
Updating sections of the toolkit

Any sections highlighted with a red exclamation mark require updating as the information may be out of date. Select the section to update the resources.

Downloading new toolkits

Downloading toolkits requires an internet connection. However, once country toolkits have been downloaded to your device, they can be accessed without an internet connection.

Toolkits are bundles of useful information and resources. This is a list of all available Toolkits. Click on a Toolkit to download and use it. To download additional toolkits or move from one toolkit to another, click on the menu icon top right on any app page. Then click on the green cloud icon that appears bottom right.

Bangladesh	27MB	⌄
Bhutan	28MB	⌄
Eswatini	27MB	⌄
Ghana	34MB	⌄
India	27MB	⌄
Indonesia	27MB	⌄
Kenya		

If a toolkit has not been downloaded, you will need to tap the download icon from the quick menu to browse available toolkits.

To download your selected toolkit, select the download icon to commence the download.

Commence download of toolkit