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Under the auspices of the Ministry of Health, Sandoz, a global leader in generic pharmaceuticals and biosimilars, launched the Egyptian Anti-infective Stewardship Program in partnership with the Egyptian Society of Surgeons (ESS), the Egyptian Scientific Society of Bronchology (ESSB), the Egyptian Pediatric Association (EPA), and the Egyptian Rhinology Society (ERS).

Given that antibiotics are a fundamental pillar of healthcare, this Sandoz-sponsored initiative aims to develop scientific consensus on recommendations for the optimal diagnosis and treatment of various infections.

"As a global leader in the field of antibiotics and driven by our commitment to patients and societies, we recognize the importance of our responsibility to help advance medical practice. With the Health Ministry's endorsement, and together with four medical societies, Sandoz is sponsoring the Egyptian Anti-infective Stewardship Program. We have designed and rolled out this first-of-its-kind



program to raise awareness of optimal diagnosis, management, and treatment of infectious diseases," said Thodoris Dimopoulos, head of Sandoz North East Africa.

"Sandoz, a Novartis division, has a broad product portfolio encompassing almost 1,000 molecules across different therapeutic areas, which helped cement our leading position in generics and biosimilars. Sandoz products have reached more than 500 million patients worldwide. Our diverse portfolio in Egypt spans anti-infectives, treatments for respiratory diseases, pain management, gastro-intestinal diseases, oncology,

and biosimilars 1-4," added Dimopoulos.

Sherif Abdel Aal, consultant paediatrician at Cairo University and CEO of the EPA, hailed the initiative, saying, "we are very happy to be part of an ambitious and dynamic medical community working to achieve a vision of healthy societies. I would like to thank Sandoz for enabling this precedent, joining forces with four scientific societies to reach a consensus on recommendations for the optimal diagnosis and treatment of numerous infectious diseases, especially pneumonia."