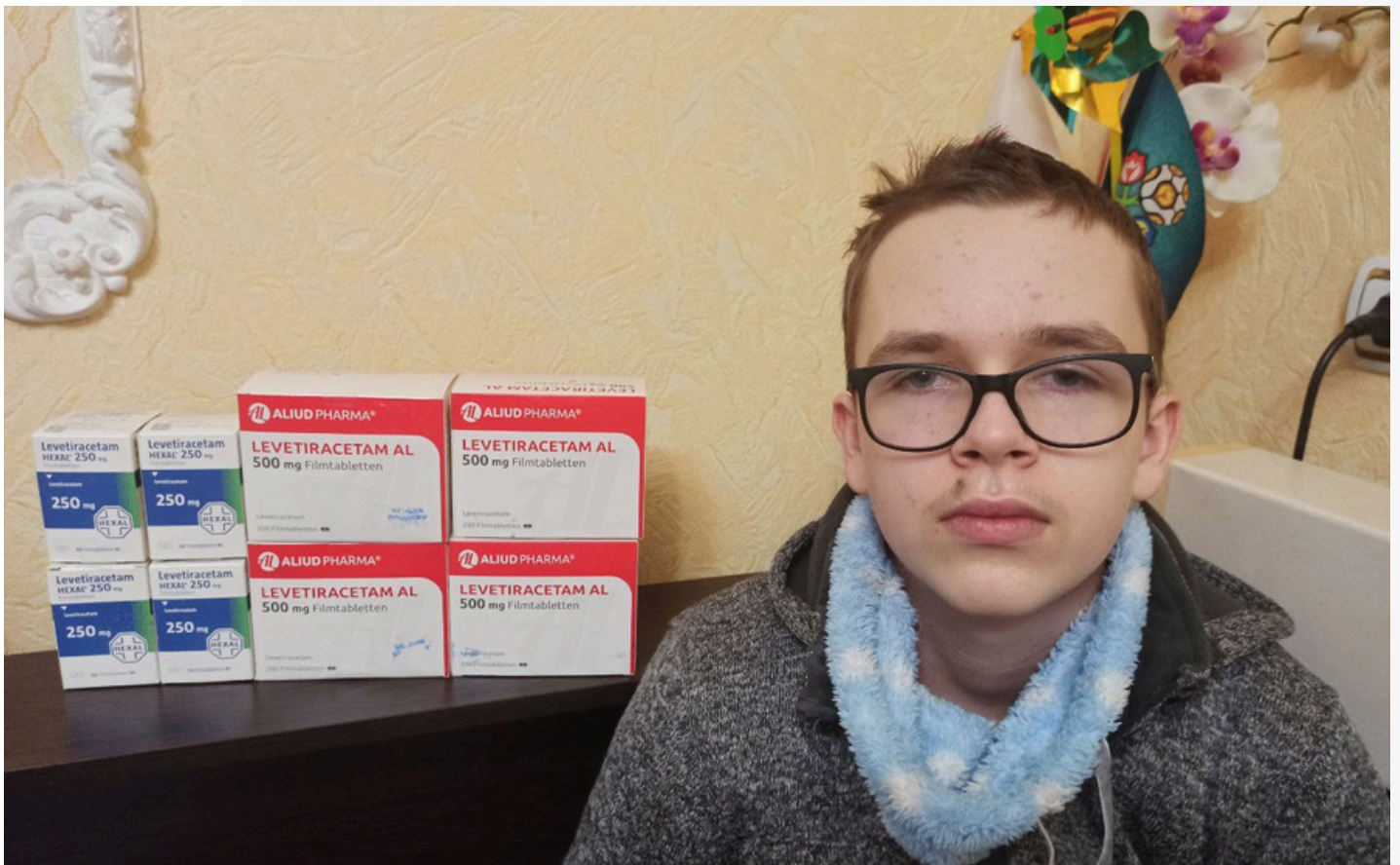


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ON THE DONATION OF DRUGS FOR UKRAINIAN CHILDREN WITH NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS



INTRODUCTION



Since the beginning of the full-scale war in Ukraine, the number and severity of cases of epilepsy and other neurological disorders in Ukrainian children have increased. In contrast, access to safe medical facilities has been significantly hampered, and life-saving medicines are often hard to obtain.

The Germany-based volunteer organisation Leuchtturm Helfer e.V. and the Ukrainian charity fund "Be for Ukraine" have committed to providing essential medications to children with neurological disorders who remain in Ukraine. The medicines are sent to Ukraine every three to six months and then distributed on an individual basis among families. Quantities provided to each child are based on the prescriptions provided by physicians, ensuring that the children's treatment remains uninterrupted. Over one hundred children, among them many internally displaced, depend on this help.

THIS REPORT HIGHLIGHTS THE IMPACTFUL AND ONGOING SUPPORT PROVIDED BY THE PHARMACISTS WITHOUT BORDERS IN HELPING THIS INITIATIVE CONTINUE.

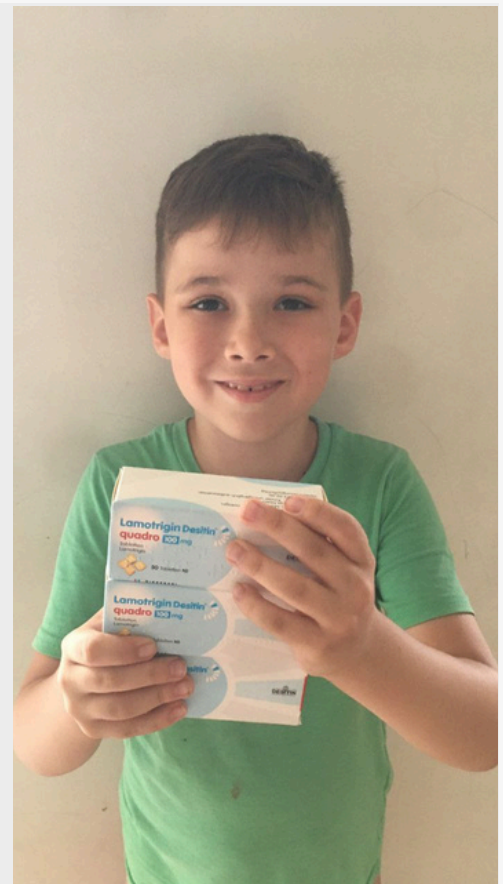
IMPACT AND DISTRIBUTION

Overall Impact: The medications ensured uninterrupted treatment for over 100 children with chronic neurological conditions, especially epilepsy. The timely distribution of these drugs not only helped manage the conditions but also provided emotional relief to families who were struggling to access these life-saving medications.

The medications are provided on a recurring basis every three to six months, tailored to the children's specific needs, which are reassessed according to medical prescriptions. The regions that benefited most include areas significantly affected by the war, such as **Kharkiv, Mykolaiv, and Sumy** regions, where medical supply chains have been disrupted.

DETAILS OF THE DONATION

The donated drugs included a variety of medications that are essential for managing chronic neurological disorders such as epilepsy. Below is a detailed breakdown of the medications, along with the specific diagnoses treated by each drug.



DETAILS ON THE DISTRIBUTION

DONATION

DETAILS

LEVETIRACETAM

(250 MG, 500 MG,
FILM-COATED TABLETS)

150 PACKS OF 500 MG
30 PACKS OF 250 MG

USAGE: AN ANTICONVULSANT CRUCIAL FOR TREATING EPILEPSY AND
MANAGING SEIZURES IN CHILDREN AND ADULTS

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 103 PACKS OF 500 MG, 26 PACKS OF 250 MG

DISTRIBUTED TO MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS: 45 PACKS OF 500 MG, 4 PACKS OF
250 MG

REGIONS BENEFITED: DNIPRO, KHARKIV, KHMELNYSKYI, LVIV, MYKOLAIV,
ODESA, SUMY, VINNYTSIA

ORFIRIL SAFT 250 ML

(SYRUP)

600 BOTTLES

USAGE: VALPROIC ACID MEDICATION FOR TREATING EPILEPSY, OFTEN PRESCRIBED
FOR LONG-TERM SEIZURE MANAGEMENT

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 200 BOTTLES

DISTRIBUTED TO MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS: 400 BOTTLES

REGIONS BENEFITED: CHERKASY, DNIPRO, KHARKIV, KYIV, LVIV, ODESA

PETNIDAN SAFT 250 ML

(SYRUP)

50 BOTTLES

USAGE: AN ESSENTIAL ANTICONVULSANT DRUG USED IN TREATING EPILEPSY,
PARTICULARLY IN YOUNGER CHILDREN

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 50 BOTTLES

REGIONS BENEFITED: CHERKASY, KYIV, MYKOLAIV, SUMY

TOPAMAX

(50 MG, 100 MG, FILM-COATED
TABLETS)

150 PACKS OF 500 MG
30 PACKS OF 250 MG

USAGE: MEDICATION USED FOR CONTROLLING SEIZURES IN CHILDREN WITH
EPILEPSY

DIAGNOSES TREATED: PRESCRIBED TO CHILDREN LIKE VASYLENKO ARTEM
(EPILEPSY)

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 15 PACKS OF 100 MG, 30 OUT OF 30 PACKS OF 50
MG

REGIONS BENEFITED: CHERKASY, DNIPRO, KROPYVNYSKYIV, KYIV, ODESA

DETAILS ON THE DISTRIBUTION (CONT.)

DONATION

DETAILS

ORFIRIL LONG

(500 MG, SACHETS WITH SUSTAINED-
RELEASE FILM-COATED TABLETS)

20 PACKS

USAGE: SUSTAINED-RELEASE FORM OF VALPROIC ACID FOR MANAGING SEIZURES IN EPILEPSY

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 16 PACKS

REGIONS BENEFITED: KHARKIV, KHROPYVNYTSKYI, ODESA, VINNYTSIA

ORFIRIL

(300 MG, DRAGEES)

75 PACKS

USAGE: ORFIRIL IN LOWER DOSAGE FOR TREATING EPILEPSY IN CHILDREN

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 35 PACKS

DISTRIBUTED TO MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS: 40 PACKS

REGIONS BENEFITED: KHARKIV, KYIV, RIVNE, ODESA

LAMOTRIGIN QUADRO

(100 MG, TABLETS)

150 PACKS

USAGE: ANTICONVULSANT USED TO TREAT EPILEPSY AND STABILIZE MOOD IN BIPOLAR DISORDER

DISTRIBUTED TO FAMILIES: 90 PACKS

DISTRIBUTED TO MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS: 60 PACKS

REGIONS BENEFITED: CHERKASY, CHERNIVTSI, DNIPRO, KHARKIV, ODESA, VINNYTSIA

FEEDBACK FROM FAMILIES

THE FAMILIES WHO RECEIVED THESE DRUGS WERE OVERWHELMINGLY GRATEFUL. HERE ARE SOME OF THE HEARTFELT MESSAGES (TRANSLATED FROM UKRAINIAN) SHARED BY THE FAMILIES, EACH SHOWS THE DIRECT IMPACT OF THE DONATION ON THE LIVES OF THESE CHILDREN, MANY OF WHOM RELY ON CONTINUOUS TREATMENT FOR THEIR NEUROLOGICAL CONDITIONS:

"A huge thank you to everyone involved in this miracle. This is simply priceless help, as these medications are vital for my son's life. We send hugs, you are incredible!"

"The most precious thing in life is human warmth, and you can never have too much of it. We are sincerely grateful to all of you for caring about the children during these hard times. Your help means the world to us."

"Without these medications, our son would not be able to continue his treatment. Thank you for your support during these difficult times."

"This assistance is a true salvation for our family. We wish you peace and goodness."

Child with Levetiracetam treatment

"These medications are vital for the stable condition of our child."

Child with Orfiril Soft and Topamax treatment

"We are so grateful for your support during these tough times."

Child with Orfiril Soft treatment

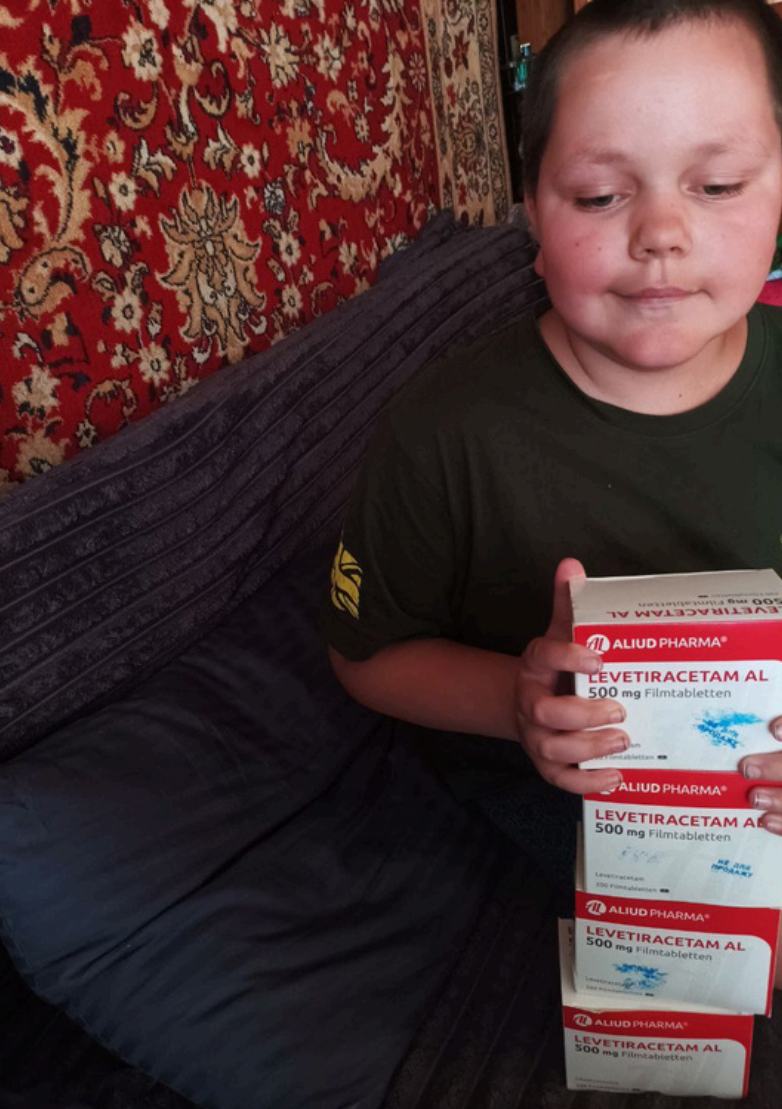
"These medicines have helped our family get through these difficulties."

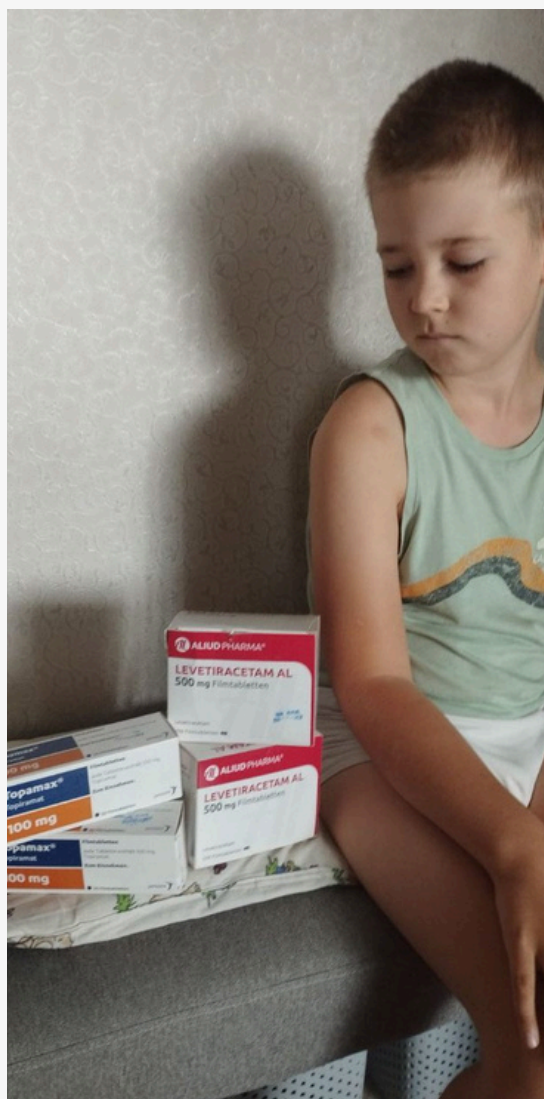
Child with Levetiracetam treatment

"These medicines are crucial for our daughter's treatment."











SUMMARY

The Pharmacists Without Borders Fund's donation of neurological medications has been life-saving for over 100 children across Ukraine. In regions where access to such medications is severely limited, this contribution ensured that families could continue essential treatments for their children. The feedback from families is a testament to the profound and positive impact of these donations, and the gratitude expressed reflects how much this support has meant to them during a time of uncertainty and hardship.

CONTINUED SUPPORT FOR THESE FAMILIES IS CRITICAL AS THEY NAVIGATE BOTH THEIR CHILDREN'S HEALTH NEEDS AND THE CHALLENGES POSED BY THE ONGOING WAR IN UKRAINE.

THANK YOU!

