

## AMC – INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE CALL FOR APPLICATION

The Secretariat of Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, in its role as AMC Secretariat, is seeking additional members to complement the skill sets of the current Independent Assessment Committee (IAC) in the following areas of expertise:

- **Clinical performance and delivery systems:** Extensive developing country experience in relation to paediatric vaccine delivery, including logistic and operational issues, new vaccine introduction decision making, programmatic planning and impact monitoring.
- **Public/Private Finance:** Experience in the finance function including corporate finance, forecasting, budgeting and costing. Good understanding of cost allocation and cost inflation in the vaccine industry.
- **Public health:** Broad background in child health in developing countries, experience in assessing longitudinal health and demographic data, sound understanding of developing country health systems and systems barriers to intervention delivery, experience with intervention impact assessment.
- **Vaccine business development:** Background in industrial scale vaccine production, financing, scale up, technology transfer, presentation and packaging.

### Overview

Advance Market Commitments (AMCs) are a new innovative approach to public health funding addressing the uncertainty of vaccine demand and market size in developing countries.

Following the decision by the governments of the UK, Italy, Russia, Norway, Canada and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation to provide US\$1.5 billion, a pilot AMC was implemented for pneumococcal vaccines. The Pneumococcal AMC pilot will save lives by accelerating uptake of adequate pneumococcal vaccines. It is projected that more than 149 million children were vaccinated with AMC-support by the end of 2017 (actual 2017 data to become available in July/August 2018).

**For additional information please visit the AMC website:**

<http://www.gavi.org/funding/pneumococcal-amc/>

### The Independent Assessment Committee (IAC) Membership

The IAC is the cornerstone of the AMC with the mandate to oversee core parts of the process. The IAC will review and approve the minimum technical requirements for candidate vaccines, monitoring AMC progress and assessing candidate vaccines. The decision of the IAC will determine whether a given vaccine is eligible for AMC support.

Members of the IAC will serve in their personal capacities. The IAC members shall be appointed to serve for an initial term of up to six years renewable once. Members will not be paid, but expenses will be covered by the AMC Secretariat. The IAC will normally meet once a year in Geneva and/or via teleconference. Meetings will take place in English without interpretation and English fluency from members is therefore expected.

In addition, the AMC Secretariat is developing a pool of candidates to welcome in the near future. We are receiving applications of candidates with the following areas of expertise:

- **Vaccine industry economics:** Applicants must have a background in industrial organization with specific knowledge of vaccine markets and vaccine R&D cost structure. Good knowledge of conjugate vaccines is requested; knowledge of pneumococcal conjugate vaccines market and cost structure is an asset.
- **Contract law:** A legal background and with experience in vaccine research and/or supply agreements. Understanding of manufacturing and distribution processes.
- **Health Economics:** Broad expertise in health economics including cost-effectiveness studies.

### **HOW TO APPLY**

If you would like to nominate a strong candidate to serve as a member of the Committee, please send us a detailed **curriculum vitae along with a motivation letter and a letter of reference** addressed to the IAC Selection Panel at [IAC@gavi.org](mailto:IAC@gavi.org). Nominations for members will be accepted **until 20 July 2018**.