

Role of Nepal Paediatric Society in advocating for new vaccines

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Introduction- Current immunization status

- Currently provides vaccination against 9 VPDs:
- Among children 12-23 months of age
 - 90% received DPT3 vaccine;
 - 88% received measles vaccine;
 - 87% were fully immunized with all vaccines;
 - 13% (104,000) were less than full vaccinated;
 - 3% (24,000) received no vaccinations;
- **Equity**



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Nepal Pediatric Society--- Advocacy, Role

- Nepal Pediatric Society developed Immunization recommendation for children in 2004.
- PCV and MMR included in the recommendation in 2010.
- Nepal formed National Committee on Immunization practices in 2011. Society is member of It. Government takes rational decision for introduction of new vaccines and other immunization related issues only on the recommendation of NCIP.



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Pneumococcal vaccine

- As a advocacy to introduce PCV in national immunization schedule, Society has been organizing different events on World Pneumonia Day.
- NCIP decided that Pneumococcal vaccine should be prioritized for introduction in the National Immunization Program from 2014.
- **MR Vaccine Introduction in Nepal**
- NEPAS also recommended MMR vaccine. NCIP recommended MR vaccine to be introduced in the country , accordingly MR vaccine started this year.
- Advocating also for Rota Virus Vaccination.



Thank You!



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