

Board Decisions

*GAVI Alliance Board Meeting
Geneva, 7-8 July 2011*



Decision 1: India – Request for extension of deadline for a scale up and expansion plan for pentavalent support

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Noted the request by the Government of India to extend the period as set by the Executive Committee to submit a satisfactory plan to introduce DTP-HepB-Hib in additional states (the “Introduction Plan”) from 30 June 2011 until 31 December 2011;
- Decided to extend the deadline for the Government of India to submit the Introduction Plan to a date to be agreed by the PPC-appointed Task Team on Large Countries (India and Nigeria), enabling the Task Team to take the Introduction Plan into account in its recommendations to the Board at its next meeting in November 2011; and
- Requested the Secretariat to develop a policy on time limits for the commencement of approved programmes in country, including principles for handling exceptions, and present it to the Board for consideration at its meeting in November 2011.

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The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Requested the Secretariat to continue working with partners to rollout the Health Systems Funding Platform (the “Platform”) in a manner which ensures that the immunisation outcomes are clearly articulated in accordance with country demand, including assessing and addressing associated risks;
- Requested the Secretariat to develop options for performance incentives for GAVI’s cash based support through the Platform in coordination with the design of the Incentives for Routine Immunisation Strengthening (IRIS) pilot;

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- Requested countries and their partners to carry out an analysis to establish the main reasons why countries have DTP3 coverage rates below 70 percent; why some countries have coverage rates stagnating at low level; and why some countries have seen declines in coverage over time. The aim of this analysis is to inform the design of targeted and enhanced support, including investment options, to this group of countries to improve coverage;
- Requested the Secretariat to work with the Programme and Policy Committee (PPC) to develop a mechanism for ongoing technical input from partners on the design and implementation of cash based programmes;

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- Endorsed the bridging mechanism for Immunisation Services Support (ISS) set out in Annex 2 to the report to the Board on Cash Based Support, Doc 08;
- Approved an amount of US\$ 7,214,100 for extensions for countries already receiving “Type B” support for civil society organisations (the “Type B Support Amount”) and delegate to the Secretariat the authority to approve such extensions up to the Type B Support Amount in accordance with the process set out in Annex 3 to the report to the Board on Cash Based Support, Doc 08. Should there be a need for further extensions beyond this approved amount, a further request for bridge funding for Type B support will be submitted to the Board for consideration;

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- Requested the Secretariat, concurrently with the evaluation of CSO support in 2011, to review options for direct support to CSOs for service delivery and advocacy and submit to the PPC for its recommendation to the Board. In the meantime, systematically promote CSO engagement through the Platform in those countries due to receive all forms of GAVI support; and
- Endorse the transitioning arrangements from existing GAVI Health Systems Strengthening (HSS) support to the Platform as set out in Annex 4 to the report to the Board on Cash Based Support, Doc 08.

Decision 3: Cash Programme Risk Management

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The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Requested the Secretariat to more actively engage Country Responsible Officers ('CROs') in the area of fiduciary risk, including, through more frequent visits to implementing countries;
- Requested the Secretariat to engage in more frequent review and follow-up of programme reporting through its CROs and the Transparency and Accountability Policy ("TAP") Team;
- Requested the TAP team to be more actively involved in the selection of the cash support programmes' external auditors and in the determination of their Terms of Reference;
- Requested the Secretariat to examine the possibility of establishing a central confidential reporting hotline;

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- Approved permanently positioning the TAP function within Internal Audit and in consultation with the Audit and Finance Committee update the Internal Auditor Terms of Reference accordingly; and
- Requested the Secretariat to implement this resolution with a high degree of priority to avoid unnecessary risks, also considering that implementation will take some time and that total GAVI cash support is increasing.

Decision 4: Appointment of Board Members

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The GAVI Alliance Board:

- (Re)appointed the following members of the GAVI Alliance Board:
 - **Amie Batson** as Board member representing donor governments USA, Canada, Australia, Japan and Korea until 31 December 2013;
 - **Ronald Brus** as Board member representing the industrialised country vaccine industry effective immediately and until 31 July 2014;
 - **Mahima Datla** as Board member representing the developing country vaccine industry effective immediately and until 31 July 2014;
 - **Alan Hinman** as Board member representing civil society effective immediately and until 31 July 2013;

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- **Geeta Rao Gupta** as Board member representing UNICEF effective immediately until her successor is appointed and qualified;
- **José Luis Solano** as Board member representing donor governments Spain and Italy effective immediately and until 31 December 2011;
- **Joan Awunyo-Akaba** as Alternate Board Member to Alan Hinman representing civil society organisations effective immediately and until 31 July 2013.
- **Jenny Da Rin** as Alternate Board member representing donor Governments USA, Canada, Australia, Japan and Korea effective immediately and until 31 December 2013;

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- **Fatchou Gakaitangou** as Alternate Board Member representing developing country governments effective immediately and until 31 July 2012;
- **Nila Heredia Miranda** as Alternate Board Member representing developing country governments effective immediately and until 31 December 2012.
- **Suresh Jadhav** as Alternate Board Member representing the developing country vaccine industry effective immediately and until 31 July 2012; and
- **Olga Popova** as Alternate Board Member representing the industrialised country vaccine industry effective immediately and until 31 July 2014.

Decision 5: Appointment of Executive Committee Members

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Appointed the following members to the GAVI Alliance Executive Committee:
 - **Cristian Baeza** in the seat currently occupied by Armin Fidler effective immediately and until 31 July 2014;
 - **Ronald Brus** in the seat currently occupied by Suresh Jadhav effective immediately and until 31 December 2012; and
 - **Geeta Rao Gupta** in the seat currently occupied by Saad Houry effective immediately and until 31 December 2011.

Decision 6: Appointment of members of the Audit and Finance Committee

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Appointed the following members to the GAVI Alliance Audit and Finance Committee until the committees are refreshed for the 2012 year:
 - **Micheline Gilbert** as Committee Delegate of donor governments USA, Canada, Australia, Japan, and Korea effective immediately; and
 - **Derek Strocher** as Committee Delegate of the World Bank effective immediately.

Decision 7: Appointment of members of the Governance Committee

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Appointed the following members to the GAVI Alliance Governance Committee until the committees are refreshed for the 2012 year:
 - **Olga Popova** as a member in the seat currently occupied by Sian Clayden effective immediately; and
 - **José Luis Solano** as a member effective immediately.

Decision 8: Appointment of members of the Programme and Policy Committee

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Appointed the following members to the GAVI Alliance Programme and Policy Committee until the committees are refreshed for the 2012 year:
 - **Klaus Stohr** as a Committee Delegate of the industrialised country vaccine industry in the seat currently occupied by Olga Popova effective immediately; and
 - **Suresh Jadhav** as a member of the developing country vaccine industry effective immediately.

Decision 9: The Evaluation Advisory Committee

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Appointed **Mira Johri, Rob Moodie and Stanley Foster** as independent members of the Evaluation Advisory Committee effective immediately and until 31 July 2014;
- Decided that the terms of all existing members of the Evaluation Advisory Committee would expire three years after the date of their original appointment; and
- Appointed **Sania Nishtar** as Chair of the Evaluation Advisory Committee effective 23 September 2011 and until the committees are refreshed for the 2012 year.

Decision 10: Delegation of Authority Policy

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Approved the GAVI Alliance Delegation of Authority Policy attached as Annex 1 to the report on the Revision to the Delegation of Authority Policy, Doc #12c replacing the Delegation of Authority Policy the Board had approved in June 2009.

Decision 11: Revision to the Programme Funding Policy

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Approved the revised GAVI Alliance Programme Funding Policy attached as Appendix A to the report on the Revision to the Programme Funding Policy, Doc #12d.

Decision 12: Revision to Cash Investment Policy

The GAVI Alliance Board:

- Approved the GAVI Alliance Cash and Short-Term Investments Policy as revised and recommended by the Investment Committee on 8 July 2011 (as attached to Doc 12e, revision 8 July 2011).



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