Section A: Introduction

- This report provides the Board with an overview of the activities of the Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC) since the Board last met in December 2016.

- As a follow-on to the October 2016 EAC meeting, there was an EAC teleconference in February 2017 to review the draft Terms of Reference (ToRs) for the second phase of the Full Country Evaluations project. The EAC approved the ToRs and requested the Secretariat to engage with the current FCE Consortium on the development of a proposal for the second phase of the FCE.

- The EAC met in Geneva on the 15-16 March 2017 where the members:
  a) were updated on ongoing Gavi evaluation activities including those related to strengthening cross-organisation work (such as evaluation collaborations with the Global Fund);
  b) were updated by the Gavi Secretariat communications team on how the evaluation work at Gavi is communicated externally to its various stakeholders;
  c) assessed the technical and financial proposal for the second phase of the FCE and deferred the decision, requesting the Secretariat to follow up with the FCE consortium to request a revised proposal, taking into account comments from the EAC;
  d) discussed and approved the Request for Proposals (RFP) for the CCEOP evaluation suggesting to include evaluation questions regarding the market shaping component as well as to further explore the country selection process;
  e) were presented the preliminary insights of the baseline assessment for the Evaluation of Targeted Country Assistance (TCA) provided through the Partners’ Engagement Framework (PEF), by the independent service provider (Deloitte);
  f) discussed and provided guidance on the ToRs for the Peer review of Gavi’s evaluation function which aims to inform the review of the Gavi Evaluation Policy; the review of the EAC Charter; and improve the evaluation function within the Gavi Secretariat (and within the broader Alliance); and
  g) discussed and provided guidance on the criteria for prioritisation of Evaluation Work considering the increasing demand for evaluations and approved the annual evaluation workplan for 2017.
Following the March meeting, there was an EAC teleconference in May 2017 to discuss the revised proposal for second phase of FCE. The EAC approved the selection of FCE consortium to conduct the second phase of the FCE and requested the Secretariat to put in place the appropriate contractual arrangements taking into account any comments of the EAC.

The next EAC meeting will take place in Geneva in October 2017, and will include a joint half-day session with the PPC. The meeting will potentially include the presentation of the findings of the peer review of Gavi evaluation function, as well as any other relevant evaluation updates.

The EAC Chair report is attached in the form of a presentation as Annex A.

Annexes

Annex A: EAC Chair report (PowerPoint)
EVALUATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT
BOARD MEETING
Rob Moodie
14-15 June 2017, Geneva, Switzerland
GAVI’S EVALUATION WORKPLAN FOR 2017

Ongoing

→ Targeted Country Assistance (TCA) prospective evaluation
→ Retrospective country HSS grants evaluations

Preparation of the contract

→ Second Phase of Full Country Evaluations
→ Peer review of the Gavi evaluation function

Finalising Request For Proposals (RFP)

→ CCEOP prospective evaluation
Phase 1 (2013-16) – Bangladesh, Mozambique, Uganda and Zambia:

- 2016 Final Reports and briefs available

Phase 2 (2017-19) – Mozambique, Uganda and Zambia:

- EAC approved the FCE consortium proposal
- Defining areas for collaboration with Global Fund Prospective Country Evaluations (PCE)
Summary of general findings Gavi FCE 2013-2016 (by FCE Consortium)

- Range of new vaccines have been introduced with Gavi support
  - Variable success in introduction and routinization; however, improving over time with evidence of learning
  - Evidence of impact on health outcomes for Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV) and Measles – Rubella (MR)

- HPV demonstration project while providing learning opportunities for delivery have not been optimal for informing national introduction

- HSS has been the most challenging support window with slow progress and delays across the whole grant cycle
“We applaud Gavi’s efforts, as a “learning organization” over the course of the FCE, to learn from FCE findings and adapt accordingly. We report on many positive developments (for example, the HPV 2.0 policy, HSIS and CEF, and the refinement of PEF over time) related to strategic and operational shifts, and a growing culture of measurement in the Secretariat.”

FCE Consortium

Source: 2016 FCE cross-cutting report
TCA baseline assessment report

- Deloitte finalising a draft baseline assessment report which will be shared with country, regional and global stakeholders
STRENGTHENING EVALUATION CULTURE

- Strengthening dissemination and utilisation of evaluation results
  → Global
  → Regional
  → Country

- Exploring synergies with other institutions
  → With Global Fund
  → With global evaluation community