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LINKING VACCINE DEVELOPMENT AND DELIVERY

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1974: EPI LAUNCH

Initial Vaccination
 Only 5 percent of children
 protected from 6 diseases
 targeted by 4 vaccines
 (OPV, BCG, DTP, Measles)

- WHO launched Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) on heels of smallpox in May 1974
- EPI in every country by 1980s





% DTP3 coverage



...today four out of five children are immunized





Source: UNICEF Immunization Summary: A statistical reference containing data through 2011 (2013 ed.)

WHERE WE'VE IMPROVED



Note: Limited projections are available for PCV introduction in High Income Countries

Source: IVAC, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health. VIMS Report: Global Vaccine Introduction (January, 2012).

RECORD NUMBERS OF NEW VACCINE INTRODUCTIONS



Source: GAVI Alliance Strategic Demand Forecast version 8, as of November 2013.

Note: Only the first phase of introductions and campaigns is included. IPV projections are only partially based on country input.

MEASURING PROGRESS

% DTP3 coverage



Implied in this slide is the idea that the systems have progressed as coverage has progressed.

But has it? Has innovation improved delivery?



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LET'S TAKE AN IMMUNIZATION SAFARI AND SEE



This clinic is staffed by a motivated, trained nurse named Ben.



When the vaccine arrives, it goes into this refrigerator where the vaccine needs to be kept between 2-8 degrees, even if the power goes out.



Vaccine refrigerator temperatures are recorded daily in a notebook.

Useful for supervisory visits but doesn't continuously monitor the temperature.

Instead, Ben leaves a light on in his house. The fridge and his light bulb share the same power source.



Ben diligently tracks his vaccine stocks. The lines in red are the vaccines that arrived.

The daily log indicates how many he took to the clinic to deliver and how many were returned to the fridge later, a figure he then reconciles with the figures from the start of the day..



But the current "system" doesn't provide real-time data back to the central levels. So Ben sends a text message with stock info every Friday.

You can see the handwritten message on top of the refrigerator here..



Next, consider how Ben knows where to look for the children in his community.

Ben depends on a handdrawn cartoon map like this one (and local knowledge, of course).



Finally, when Ben has successfully vaccinated a child, he records it twice.

Once on the child's immunization and health card, and also on a logbook register like this one.



But the reporting back to his supervisors is based on a simple tally sheet like this and gets rolled up on a weekly or monthly basis.

These sheets become national coverage estimates.



UP TO HALF OF VACCINATIONS GIVEN BY OUTREACH



Globally, ~25M children are immunized outside fixed facilities each year, representing 40-50% of routine immunizations



The ANM faces difficulties in carrying all her paraphernalia to the immunization site even when she has a mode of conveyance. The register used for recording details of the immunized recipients does not fit in the handbags of ANMs owing to its large size.





ANM sitting on a brick pavement while conducting the session









Lid is not airtight which creates temperature control issues

KEY POINTS FROM THE IMMUNIZATION PHOTO SAFARI

- Few changes are obvious from the EPI system created in 1970s
- Cold chain equipment, hand drawn maps, registers and tally sheets virtually unchanged
- Name-based data remains at lowest levels only
- Innovations? Real-time temperature monitoring by light bulb?!

OUR GOAL: LIFE SAVING IMPACT

"By 2020, prevent 11 million deaths, 3.8 million disabilities, and 230 million illnesses, through high, equitable, sustainable vaccine coverage and supporting polio eradication"

> - BMGF Vaccine Delivery Impact Goal



VACCINE DELIVERY PROGRAM



OUR TOP PRIORITIES

Vaccines

- Inactivated Polio
- Pneumococcus
- Rotavirus
- HPV
- Measles-Rubella
- MenAfriVac[™]
- Cholera
- Pentavalent
- Japanese Encephalitis
- Malaria
- Dengue
- Typhoid Fever

Immunization Systems

- GAVI
- Data quality
- Supply chain
- Vaccination outside infant schedules
- Demand generation
- Vaccine financing

Countries

- Nigeria
- India
- Ethiopia
- Pakistan
- Polio risk countries

OUR INVESTMENTS REFLECT OUR STRATEGIC PRIORITIES

- ~70% to GAVI
- Additional funds add to GAVI impact
- Focused on immunization systems, market dynamics, and new vaccine introduction



BMGF Vaccine Market Dynamics goals

Our goal is to ensure that vaccine markets meet the needs of the world's poorest countries

Vaccine Market Dynamics Priorities:

Priority 1: Vaccine supply

Ensure uninterrupted supply and sustainable, affordable pricing of suitable vaccines for GAVI.

Priority 2: Cross-cutting initiatives

Improve market dynamics information and expertise and integrate innovative approaches to solve complex vaccine access challenges.

Priority 3: Partnerships

Strengthen global health and manufacturer partnerships to enable better alignment and execution of market goals.

How BMGF, GAVI and UNICEF Work Together

BMGF, GAVI and UNICEF SD work in close cooperation across the vaccine market dynamics lifecycle, but with different mandates and toolsets



Role of Vaccine Delivery Market Dynamics Team

Market Dynamics supports PST needs by leading vaccine investment teams and collaborating with internal and external partners



Not Exhaustive

Foundation Investment Tools

BMGF tools span upstream and incentives opportunities and include grants, contract management and programrelated investments



Linking Development and Delivery



Getting vaccines to all children remains a challenge



Vaccine Thermostability Requirements

Campaigns

- Campaigns rarely last more than 3-5 days
- Usually only 1 or 2 vaccines given

Routine Immunization

- Vaccines require stabilization for long periods, often for 6 months or longer
- A broad range of vaccines and vaccine platforms need to be stabilized

Thermostability requirements differ by use case Can requirements for development be altered by delivery?

How long do vaccines need to be thermostable?



Cold Chain: Investment



Cold Chain Equipment: Innovations



CTC FOR CAMPAIGNs

Many vaccines have up to 1 week or more of stability at 40C

Most labels do NOT reflect this inherent heat tolerance

Relabeling for Controlled Temperature Chain (CTC) use

Lower cost, higher probability of success and utility for campaigns



THANK YOU

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Improving understanding: Let's develop a vaccine workshop

