

Annex A: Implications

- **Risk implication and mitigation, including information on the risks of inaction.** Gender has been identified as an important determinant of health and immunisation outcomes. Inaction would result in Gavi not being able to reach as many zero-dose and underimmunised children. 'Gender-focus' has been elevated to a principle in Gavi 5.0, key to achieving the vision, so this policy update is necessary to ensure Gavi programming is fit for purpose.
- **Impact on countries.** Gavi-supported countries will require support to identify and address gender-related barriers. The 5.0 vision and this policy raise the priority level of gender within the context of equity and countries will be encouraged to programme their health system strengthening funding to find and reach zero-dose and underimmunised children, an important part of which is addressing gender considerations.
- **Impact on Alliance.** As a cross-cutting policy, the success of implementation will be driven in large part by Alliance partners who will play an integral role in supporting achievement of the policy objectives. A deliverable of the policy is to 'Partner' effectively, which includes mainstreaming gender throughout the Alliance to ensure alignment on goals regarding gender. Implementation of more gender-focused activities will be supported through Gavi's different funding channels and through its engagement with partners.
- **Legal and governance implications.** There are no legal implications with respect to the content of this report. The gender balance of governance structures has been reviewed alongside the policy review and can be found in Doc 01f.