

# REVIEW OF THE GAVI GENDER POLICY

BOARD MEETING

**Wilson Mok**

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# Gender in Gavi 5.0

Vision		Leaving no-one behind with immunisation		SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS
Mission 2025	To save lives and protect people's health by increasing coverage and equitable use of vaccines	Mission indicators	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Child mortality reduction</li> <li>Lives saved</li> <li>Future DALYs averted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>People (male &amp; female) vaccinated with Gavi support across the life course</li> <li>People vaccinated with Gavi support against outbreak-prone diseases</li> <li>Economic benefits unlocked</li> </ul>
Principles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Missed communities, first priority:</b> Prioritise children missing out on vaccination including among migrants, displaced and other vulnerable populations</li> <li><b>Gender focused:</b> Apply a gender lens to removing barriers for immunisation</li> <li><b>Country-led, sustainable:</b> Bolster country leadership to sustainably deliver and finance immunisation</li> <li><b>Community owned:</b> Ensure community trust and confidence in vaccines by engaging communities in planning, implementation and oversight of immunisation</li> <li><b>Differentiated:</b> Target and tailor support to national and subnational needs including fragile contexts</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Integrated:</b> Strengthen immunisation as a foundation for integrated primary health care to reach underserved communities in support of universal health coverage</li> <li><b>Adaptive, resilient:</b> Help countries leverage immunisation to address the challenges of climate change, Global Health Security, antimicrobial resistance and other major global issues</li> <li><b>Innovative:</b> Identify and leverage innovative products, practices and services to reach everyone with immunisation</li> <li><b>Collaborative, accountable:</b> Collaborate across stakeholders to achieve the SDGs in a transparent, coordinated and accountable manner</li> </ul>		
Goals	<p><b>1</b> INTRODUCE AND SCALE UP VACCINES</p> <p><b>2</b> STRENGTHEN HEALTH SYSTEMS TO INCREASE EQUITY IN IMMUNISATION</p> <p><b>3</b> IMPROVE SUSTAINABILITY OF IMMUNISATION PROGRAMMES</p> <p><b>4</b> ENSURE HEALTHY MARKETS FOR VACCINES AND RELATED PRODUCTS</p>			
Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> Strengthen countries' <b>prioritisation of vaccines</b> appropriate to their context</li> <li><b>B</b> Support countries to <b>introduce and scale up coverage of vaccines</b> for prevention of endemic and epidemic diseases</li> <li><b>C</b> Enhance <b>outbreak response</b> through availability and strategic allocation of vaccine stockpiles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> Help countries extend immunisation services to regularly <b>reach under-immunised and zero-dose children</b> as a platform for stronger primary health care</li> <li><b>B</b> Support countries to ensure <b>immunisation services are well-managed, sustainable</b>, harness <b>innovation</b> and meet the needs of all care givers</li> <li><b>C</b> Work with countries and communities to build <b>resilient demand</b>, and to leverage <b>gender</b> to address immunisation barriers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> Strengthen national and subnational <b>political and social commitment</b> to immunisation</li> <li><b>B</b> Promote prioritisation of <b>domestic public resources for immunisation and primary health care</b> to improve allocative efficiency</li> <li><b>C</b> Prepare and engage <b>self-financing countries to maintain or increase performance</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>A</b> Ensure sustainable, <b>healthy market dynamics</b> for vaccines and immunisation-related products at affordable prices</li> <li><b>B</b> Incentivise <b>innovation</b> for the development of <b>suitable vaccines</b></li> <li><b>C</b> Scale up <b>innovative immunisation-related products</b></li> </ul>
Enablers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Secure long-term predictable funding for Gavi programmes</li> <li>Ensure global political commitment for immunisation, prevention and primary health care</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use evidence, evaluations and improved data for policies, programmes and accountability</li> <li>Leverage the private sector, including through innovative finance mechanisms and partnerships</li> </ul>		

**Gender-focus** is critical to reach underimmunised and zero-dose children, individuals and communities

'Gender-focused' has been elevated to a principle

Gender is mainstreamed into broader equity goal to 'Strengthen health systems to increase equity in immunisation'

# Renewed policy focus

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## Caregivers



- Address barriers to accessing services
- Opportunity to encourage men's participation

## Health workers



- >70% of health workers globally are women
- Ensure safety, security and fair compensation

## Adolescents



- HPV vaccine for 9-14yo.
- Opportunity for gender-transformative interventions

# Gender & COVID-19

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- Immediate and long-term consequences of the pandemic are **disproportionately impacting women and girls**
- Decreased access to **reproductive health services**, increased **gender-based violence** and increased **security risk** to female healthcare workers
- Will **exacerbate divides and inequalities** within societies

**Must ensure a gender lens in our response**

# Recommendation

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The Gavi Alliance Programme and Policy Committee **recommends** to the Gavi Alliance Board that it:

**Approve** the revised Gavi Alliance Gender Policy attached as Annex B to Doc 07.

**Thank you**

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