

## **The Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC) Report**

### Quality assessment of the evaluation

Name of evaluation: **Evaluation of the operationalisation of Gavi's strategy through Gavi's policies, programmatic guidance, and use of funding levers**

Year of report: 2023

#### **a) The Evaluation Advisory Committee (EAC) rated this report as;**

- Fully met or exceeded Gavi quality standards
- Met Gavi quality standards with only minor shortcomings
- Partially met Gavi quality standards with some shortcomings
- Did not meet Gavi quality standards with major shortcomings

#### **b) General comments:**

The EAC emphasises that this is an important report given its utility as it aligns with the Operational Excellence agenda in the secretariat. Further, it offers critical insights into the functioning of the Gavi secretariat and its partnership shedding light on the experiences of various countries through operationalization efforts. The EAC also recognises its significance as a valuable document for Board and PPC (Programme and Policy Committee) members, especially in the context of the 6.0 planning period.

#### **Strengths**

Within this context, the EAC felt that the report fully met the EAC's quality standards.

The report is well written and relatively well structured. The pathways of operationalisation of the strategy, learnings from comparable organisations, international and national country stakeholders and country case studies are well documented.

The purpose, scope and objectives are well outlined. It also provides sufficient information on the evaluation framework eg on the judgement criteria, analytical methods and approaches employed.

The findings are well presented, organised, analysed, interpreted systematically and logically against the two high level evaluation questions with clear strength of evidence ratings. The conclusions, lessons learned, and recommendations are clear, well stated, targeted and based on good evidence.

They are captured well in the Executive Summary and the key messages that serve as comprehensive and succinct reflections on the evaluation. The report is well positioned to contribute to the shaping of the Gavi 6.0 in understanding the divers and barriers to Strategy operationalisation.

Finally, the overall quality and utility of this report is high as it provides valuable analysis that can be drawn upon to assess the strengths and pain points of the strategy operationalisation. It identifies, with greater clarity through the recommendations what secretariat should focus on in relation to prioritisation and simplification of some of its processes, policies and tools.

### **Minor observations**

Although this report holds considerable strength and value, the EAC wishes to highlight minor points pertaining to the extensive nature of the report and the limited visibility concerning the methods utilized in its conclusive findings. We believe that augmenting the transparency of the employed methodologies could have further enhanced the evaluation. Each of the findings should ideally have been presented with a concise summary of the corresponding methodology in the main body of the report, rather than being cited in the annex. Furthermore, we are of the opinion that the report would have benefitted from a deeper exploration of insights at the level of individual countries.