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Milestones, Perspectives

"WHO Pandemic Agreement"

<u>Third meeting of the Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) on the WHO Pandemic</u> Agreement

3 – 7 November 2025 Hybrid, Geneva, Switzerland

The third meeting of the Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement will be conducted in hybrid format during 3–7 November 2025, from 09:30–12:00 and 14:00pm–16:30 each day.

Webcast recordings: <a href="https://www.who.int/news-room/events/detail/2025/11/03/default-calendar/third-meeting-of-the-intergovernmental-working-group-(igwg)-on-the-who-pandemicagreement

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<u>Countries make progress on WHO Pandemic Agreement annex on pathogen access and benefit sharing system</u>

7 November 2025 News release

In an important step, Member States started discussing for the first time the proposed draft text of the annex to the WHO Pandemic Agreement that establishes the Pathogen Access and Benefit Sharing (PABS) system. The PABS system is a key part of the global agreement adopted earlier in 2025 to make the world safer from future pandemics...

To enable a timely and effective response to future pandemics, countries must be able to quickly identify pathogens that have pandemic potential and share their genetic information and material so scientists can develop tools like tests, treatments, and vaccines. **The PABS system will facilitate** the rapid and timely sharing of materials and sequence information from pathogens with pandemic potential. It will also, on an equal footing, enable the rapid, timely, fair and equitable sharing of benefits arising from such materials and sequence information.

The draft text under consideration outlines provisions designed to operationalize the commitments made in Article 12 of the WHO Pandemic Agreement on equitable access to life-saving tools during health crises...

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Statement 3 Nov 2025

Statement on PABS Instrument at the third meeting of the open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 3) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement

On 3 November 2025 in Geneva, IFPMA delivered a statement at the third meeting of the openended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 3) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

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Global Health Financing

WHO issues guidance to address drastic global health financing cuts

3 November 2025 News release

The World Health Organization (WHO) today released **new guidance for countries on ways to** counter the immediate and long-term effects of sudden and severe cuts to external funding, which are disrupting the delivery of essential health services in many countries.

The new guidance, called "Responding to the health financing emergency: immediate measures and longer-term shifts", provides a suite of policy options for countries to cope with the sudden financing shocks, and bolster efforts to mobilize and implement sufficient and sustainable financing for national health systems.

External health aid is projected to drop by 30% to 40% in 2025 compared with 2023, causing immediate and severe disruption to health services in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

WHO survey data from 108 LMICs collected in March 2025 indicate that **funding cuts have reduced critical services** – **including maternal care, vaccination, health emergency preparedness and response, and disease surveillance** – **by up to 70% in some countries**. More than 50 countries have reported job losses among health and care workers, along with major disruptions to health worker training programmes.

"Sudden and unplanned cuts to aid have hit many countries hard, costing lives and jeopardizing hard-won health gains," said Dr Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, WHO Director-General. "But in the crisis lies an opportunity for countries to transition away from aid dependency towards sustainable self-reliance, based on domestic resources. WHO's new guidance will help countries to better mobilize, allocate, prioritize and use funds to support the delivery of health services that protect the most vulnerable."

This year's funding cuts have compounded years of persistent health financing challenges for countries, including rising debt burdens, inflation, economic uncertainty, high out-of-pocket spending, systemic budget underfunding and heavy reliance on external aid.

Swift action guided by efficiency and equity

WHO's new guidance urges policy-makers to make health a political and fiscal priority in government budgets even during times of crisis, seeing health spending as not merely a cost to be contained, but an investment in social stability, human dignity, and economic resilience.

The guidance emphasizes the need for countries to cushion the immediate impact of reductions in foreign assistance for health, and to adapt to a new era of reduced assistance. Key policy recommendations include:

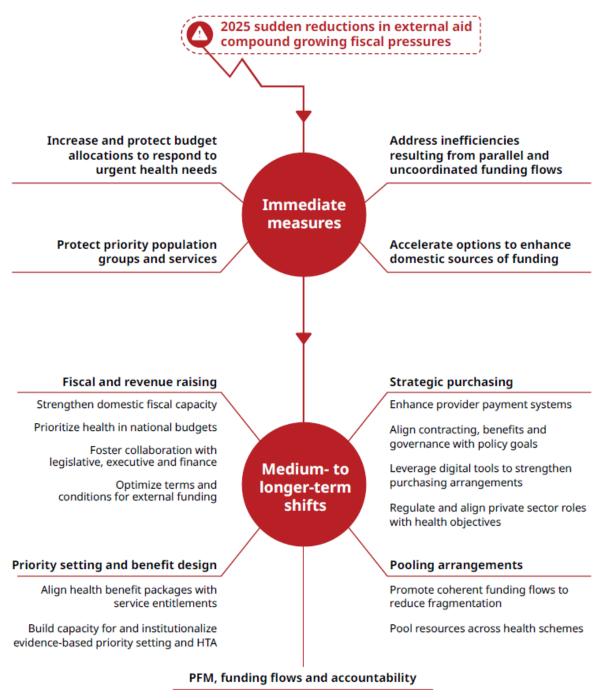
- prioritize the health services accessed by the poorest;
- protect health budgets and essential health services;
- improve efficiency through better procurement, reduced overheads and strategic purchasing;
- integrate externally-funded or disease-specific services into comprehensive PHC-based delivery models; and
- use health technology assessments to prioritize services and products that have the greatest health impact per dollar spent.

...The new guidance builds on WHO's commitment to help all countries strengthen and sustain robust health systems, built on a commitment to universal health coverage, underpinned by strong primary health services delivering essential care to all who need it.

It also aligns with existing World Health Assembly mandates, including resolutions on "Strengthening health financing globally" and "Economics of health for all," to translate global commitments into

actionable policy steps. WHO and its partners are committed to providing technical support, analytics and peer learning to countries to manage the health financing crises and navigate the transition, including through the new UHC Knowledge Hub, a partnership with the Government of Japan and the World Bank, set to be Jaunched in December 2025.

Figure 1. Immediate health financing measures and longer term shifts



Align budget structures with evolving service needs

Streamline expenditure management

Integrate off-budget external funds into national PFM systems

Strengthen expenditure tracking and accountability

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Editor's Notes

We had anticipated that this guidance might suggest programmatic imperatives or priorities to be considered across most LMIC contexts as the deep cuts in ODA and other support trend downward. Indeed, we it would have been alarmed if vaccination/immunization were not high on such a list. Instead, we found no list, a single mention of "immunization" as below, and no use of the vaccine or vaccination in the text if the report.

[Excerpt]

Introduction

...These challenges were already mounting when the sudden reductions in external aid hit in early 2025. The announcement by the government of the United States of America in January 2025 to suddenly pause and then dramatically reduce foreign aid was then compounded by announcements of reductions from other donor countries (3). While the impact of the U.S. reductions is by far the largest, at least 10 other countries of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development's Development Assistance Committee have also announced reductions in aid for health, with estimates of a more than 30% reduction in total external aid for health in 2025 as compared to 2023 (4). The full impact of these reductions, on both financing and overall health and wellbeing, will become clearer over time; however, initial WHO indications from March 2025 show immediate disruptions in services in approximately 70% of 108 low- and middle-income countries surveyed (5). The **The most** frequently reported impacts were on health emergency preparedness and response, public health surveillance, service provision, humanitarian aid and the health and care workforce, with concerns raised over the ability to sustain coverage for immunization, malaria, HIV, tuberculosis, sexually transmitted infections, family planning and maternal and child health services (6). These reductions in external financing and declining government budgets for health are likely to lead to increases in out-of-pocket payments or reduced access, increasing levels of financial hardship and forgone care, and a deterioration in the progress towards UHC that many countries have made...

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South Sudan

Public Health Situation Analysis - South Sudan

4 November 2025 | WHO - Emergency situation update *Overview*

As of September 2025, the humanitarian outlook remains alarming, with growing needs far outpacing the capacity of aid agencies to respond. **South Sudan continues to face a dire humanitarian crisis fueled by the convergence of armed conflict, mass displacement, climate-related shocks, food insecurity, recurrent disease outbreaks, and economic decline factors that together have devastated millions of lives. The fragile security environment, compounded by seasonal flooding, restricted humanitarian access, and bureaucratic impediments, has further deepened vulnerabilities and obstructed the delivery of life-saving assistance.**

Severe flooding has continued to affect South Sudan since June 2025, causing population displacement and widespread damage. As of 24 October, approximately 335 000 people have been displaced across 16 counties, and more than 961 000 people have been affected across 26 counties in six states, with Jonglei and Unity states among the most affected, with 624 300 and 256 100 affected people, respectively. A total of 143 health facilities have been affected, with 44 fully damaged.

Flood-affected areas are experiencing increased health risks, with rising cases of malaria, acute respiratory infections, diarrhea, and a resurgence of cholera. There have been reports of snakebite related deaths among affected populations. These repeated displacements disrupt livelihoods, increase reliance on aid, and expose communities to heightened risks of violence, hunger, and disease. Insecurity also undermines food production and hampers humanitarian access, leaving relief supplies delayed or unavailable in volatile areas.

South Sudan is currently experiencing its most severe cholera outbreak on record. While a multi-pronged approach including vaccination efforts and deployment of rapid response teams has successfully contained the outbreak, the onset of the rainy season, declining population immunity and access challenges are likely to trigger a sharp rise in new infections.

As of June 2025, more than half of South Sudan's population - approximately 7.7 million people - are facing severe levels of acute food insecurity. Among them, an estimated 83 000 individuals are experiencing famine-like conditions, particularly in Pibor (Greater Pibor Administrative Area), as well as in Nasir, Ulang, and Malakal counties of Upper Nile State. An additional 39 000 South Sudanese returnees who fled the conflict in Sudan are also grappling with critical food insecurity.

Typologies of emergency	Main health threats	WHO grade	Security level (UNDSS) ¹	INFORM (2025) ²
71.	Cholera	Protracted	Across all	Risk Index:
Conflict	Malnutrition	Humanitarian crisis (G3)	states in South Sudan, risk is	8.5/10 (Very High)
÷3332	Malaria	Food	Substantial	(Very Friight)
Food security	Trauma and Injuries	Insecurity and Malnutrition	(Level 4)	2025 Global Risk
Migration	Maternal and Neo-natal Health	(G3)		Ranking:
**	Risks	Sudan Crisis (G3)		1 of 191 countries
Epidemics	Noncommunicable Diseases	, ,		Countries
	(NCD)	Flood (Not Graded)		
Flooding	Measles	Cholera (G3)		
Flooding	COVID- 19 and acute respiratory tract infection (ARTI)	Mpox (G2)		

[Excerpt]

Vaccination coverage:

South Sudan is home to one of the largest cohorts of zero-dose children in the world (72 096 children in 2022).73 Vaccine-preventable disease burden looms large due to limited coverage in immunization programmes, with many children and adults vulnerable to diseases including measles, yellow fever and poliovirus. 74 However, in 2023, South Sudan became one of the first countries in Africa to integrate the malaria vaccine into its national immunization programme, offering children a safer start in life.75

VACCINATION COVERAGE DATA ⁷⁶	South Sudan	Year	Source
DTP-containing vaccine, 1st dose	76%	2024	WUENIC
DTP-containing vaccine, 3rd dose	73%	2024	WUENIC
Polio, 3 rd dose	72%	2024	WUENIC
Measles-containing vaccine, 1st dose (MCV1)	72%	2024	WUENIC

COVID-19 Vaccination: In South Sudan, the Ministry of Health set an ambitious goal to vaccinate over 80% of the population aged 18 and above by the end of 2024. In early 2024, South Sudan vaccinated over 51% of the targeted population and significantly boosting overall vaccination rates through successful COVID-19 campaigns in Terekeka, Central Equatoria State; Kapoeta South, Kapoeta North, and Ikwotos, Eastern Equatoria State; Ezo and Tambura, Western Equatoria State; Aweil East and Aweil North, Northern Bahr El Ghazal State; and Gogrial West and Tonj North, and Warrap State.77

While vaccine mis/dis-information still exists and is widely thought to be responsible for vaccine hesitancy, many residents in various parts of the State are opting to receive vaccinations as social and behavioral change, and community engagement interventions take root in the communities.78...

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Pediatric CTs

The future of paediatric clinical trials – setting research priorities for child health

28 October 2025 | WHO - Technical document

PDF: https://iris.who.int/server/api/core/bitstreams/c26226c0-e533-46c3-8639-ed8b081223c0/content
Overview

Despite significant reductions in under-five mortality over recent decades, progress has stalled, and children – especially newborns and infants – remain markedly underrepresented in clinical research. The limited number of clinical trials focused on this age group has resulted in persistent evidence gaps for essential interventions and treatments. In response, WHO has led a global research prioritization exercise to identify the most critical clinical trial questions in child health. This initiative aims to generate high-quality, policy-relevant evidence to inform guidelines, direct investment and ensure that clinical research is aligned with the greatest public health needs to improve survival, growth and development outcomes for children worldwide.

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WHO publishes new global research agenda to strengthen paediatric clinical trials A technical report to guide coordinated action and investment in evidence generation for child health

6 November 2025 Departmental update

Geneva, Switzerland, 2025 – The World Health Organization (WHO) has released a new technical report, The future of paediatric clinical trials – setting research priorities for child health, presenting a global research agenda designed to address critical gaps in evidence that inform policies, clinical guidelines and programmes for children aged 0–9 years. This work follows the call from WHO's Guidance for best practices for clinical trials (2024) for a greater focus on inclusion of under-represented populations in clinical trials, including children, to ensure that research better reflects the diversity of populations affected by health conditions globally.

Despite major advances in child health over the past two decades, progress has not been equitable, and preventable illnesses continue to cause significant morbidity and mortality among children, particularly in low- and middle-income countries.

Children remain under-represented in clinical trials, resulting in gaps in evidence that is directly applicable to their needs. This research agenda has been developed to help address these gaps by identifying priority questions where clinical trials can generate the greatest public health impact, support national decision-making and improve outcomes for children at risk.

The agenda was developed through an inclusive and systematic process involving global experts, national programme leaders, researchers, and community representatives. More than 380 stakeholders contributed 653 research questions, which were refined through expert review and prioritization to produce a final list of 172 clinical research priorities spanning infectious diseases, noncommunicable diseases, newborn health, early childhood development and nutrition. The agenda is designed to be practical and action-oriented, with a strong emphasis on feasibility, scalability, and equitable impact.

Commenting on the publication of the report, Dr Meg Doherty, Director of WHO's Department of Science for Health, noted that the agenda provides a foundation for aligning research efforts with public health needs. "This research agenda offers governments, partners and research institutions a clear direction for investment. By identifying where evidence is most needed, it creates an opportunity to coordinate resources and foster collaboration to address the highest-burden areas affecting children today."

Dr Pascale Allotey, Director of WHO's Department of Sexual, Reproductive, Maternal, Child, Adolescent Health and Ageing, and UN Special Programme in Human Reproduction (HRP) emphasized the importance of inclusive and sustained investment. "Establishing research priorities is only the first step. Strategic and sustained funding will be critical to move these priorities forward. This agenda provides a shared roadmap that donors and partners can use to align investments, support national needs and ensure that research leads to real improvements in child health."

In addition to identifying priority research questions, the report highlights the importance of regional collaboration, integration of research within national health systems, and the strengthening of institutional capacity to support multi-country trials. It also underscores the need for coordinated financing approaches to accelerate implementation and ensure that research investments are directed toward areas with the greatest potential for impact.

WHO will continue to work with Member States and partners to facilitate the application of this agenda, promote dialogue across sectors, and mobilize resources for priority research. WHO encourages Member States, research institutions, partners and funding agencies to use this agenda as a tool to guide strategic planning, mobilize resources and support collaborative action. By addressing these gaps, the evidence generated can be brought into much needed and potentially neglected areas for WHO guidelines and policies. By focusing on shared priorities and promoting equitable inclusion, the agenda aims to ensure that future research addresses the needs of all children, including those who have historically been left behind.

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Pharmacovigilance

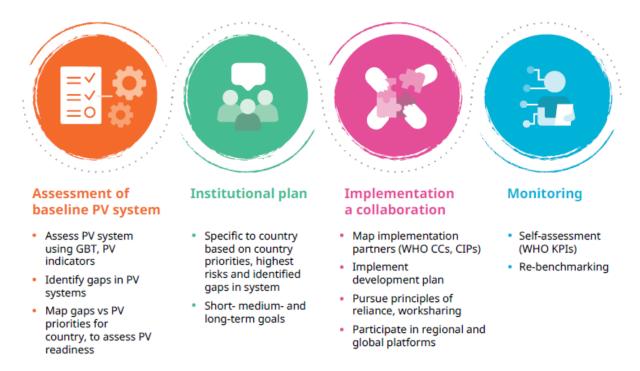
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Overview

Trust in regulated medical products (medicines, vaccines and other health products) to protect health, is mostly based on a number of principles: the evaluation before marketing authorization, the permanent oversight of manufacturing facilities and a permanent assessment of benefit/risk balance all through the products life cycle. Science is at the forefront of this ecosystem, and the transparency of regulatory procedures plays an essential role in building the much needed societal trust. Behind every product lies a system that must safeguard not only its quality and effectiveness but also its safety. Too often, pharmacovigilance and broader regulatory functions are fragmented, underfunded or disconnected from the wider health infrastructure, leaving millions – particularly in low- and middle-income countries – exposed to avoidable risks.

The COVID-19 pandemic served as a global stress test, brutally exposing these vulnerabilities and underscoring the urgent need for resilient, reliable, agile and responsible regulatory systems. The present The global smart pharmacovigilance strategy was developed in response to these challenges. It is built on a simple but powerful idea: safety systems do not need to be complex to be effective – they need to be designed intelligently, to build pharmacovigilance systems that are not only functional but also strategic, sustainable, and tailored to national priorities. It is not a rigid checklist, but a practical framework to help countries prioritize, build capacity, and embed sustainable pharmacovigilance into regulatory systems as well as broader health systems shaped by real-world experience.

The vision is clear: to foster pharmacovigilance and regulatory systems that are strong, adaptive and trusted – systems that guarantee equitable access to affordable, quality-assured health products for everyone everywhere. This is not only a technical priority but also an ethical imperative, especially as disparities in access to essential health products persist and global health challenges evolve. From the recommendations at the 2018 International Conference of Drug Regulatory Authorities (ICDRA) in Dublin (Ireland) up to today, successive forums have set the sense of urgency for the proposed improvements.

Fig. 5. Implementing The global smart pharmacovigilance strategy



The global smart pharmacovigilance strategy represents a comprehensive alignment, moving the existing recommendations under an adaptive framework that establishes a risk-based prioritization, meeting the need to address innovation and also to implement reliance mechanisms, within global multilateral cooperation mechanisms. More than an incremental change, the strategy focuses on the centrality of risk management in a global system, building on multilateral cooperation, collectively owned by regulators and stakeholders.

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Polio - PHEIC

Polio this week [05 November 2025]

Headlines

:: Two billionth dose of nOPV2 administered

Marking a landmark achievement, two billion doses of novel oral polio vaccine type 2 (nOPV2) have now been administered to children around the world, as part of intensified efforts to curb circulating type 2 variant poliovirus outbreaks (cVDPV2).

Summary of new polioviruses this week:

- :: Pakistan: 29 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- :: Algeria: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- :: Djibouti: one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- :: Nigeria: one cVDPV2 case
- :: Papua New Guinea: one cVDPV2 case

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Joint call to strengthen policy and investment for child and youth mental health and wellbeing 7 November 2025 Departmental update

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WHO sets new global standard for child-friendly cancer drugs, paving way for industry innovation

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WHO at the 151st IPU Assembly: advancing health, rights and resilience through parliamentary action

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Ensuring timely and equitable access to medical countermeasures: partners convene for the 3rd Annual i-MCM-Net Meeting

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WHO and Bayer AG renew longstanding collaboration to eliminate three deadly neglected tropical diseases

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SAGE September 2025: key outcomes and priority actions for global immunization

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<u>Care, compassion and recovery of youngest patient in Democratic Republic of the Congo</u> <u>Ebola outbreak</u>

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

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<u>PAHO scales up its emergency health response across the Caribbean following Hurricane</u> <u>Melissa</u>

November 7, 2025 (PAHO/WHO) — In response to Hurricane Melissa, the Pan American Health Organization/ World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) immediately activated its health emergency coordination and response mechanisms and continues working closely with Caribbean health authorities to address the storm's widespread health impacts. The deployment...

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<u>PAHO and European Commission's Health Emergency Authority make deal to boost preparedness for cross-border health threats</u>

Santa Marta, Colombia, November 7, 2025 (PAHO) — The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Health Emergency Preparedness and Response Authority (HERA) of the European Commission have signed an administrative arrangement to enhance cooperation in prevention, preparedness, and response to serious cross-border public health threats. The...

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Amazon countries strengthen cooperation to tackle emerging zoonotic diseases

Brasilia, Brazil, 7 November 2025 (PAHO) — Nine countries from the Amazon Basin and the Darién Corridor agreed on new actions to strengthen regional health security by improving surveillance, preparedness, and response to emerging zoonotic diseases — those that can be transmitted from animals to humans. The agreement strengthens regional...

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<u>PAHO and Spain strengthen cooperation to improve regulatory capacity and expand access to health services in the Americas</u>

Cartagena, Colombia, November 6, 2025 (PAHO) — The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) and the Government of Spain deepened their strategic collaboration through a series of new cooperation agreements concluded in Cartagena de Indias. The agreements—established with the Spanish Agency for International Development Cooperation (AECID) and...

:: 6 Nov 2025

<u>PAHO promotes interregional cooperation to strengthen health autonomy in Latin America</u> and the Caribbean, within the framework of the EU-CELAC Summit

Santa Marta, Colombia, November 6, 2025 (PAHO) — The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) today reaffirmed its commitment to regulatory harmonization and health self-reliance in Latin America and the Caribbean, during a side event at the 4th Summit of Heads of State and Government of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)...

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On Malaria Day in the Americas, PAHO urges countries to close access gaps in diagnosis and treatment to end malaria

Washington D.C., 6 November 2025 (PAHO) – On Malaria Day in the Americas, the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) calls on countries, local leaders, and partners to step up action to ensure everyone at risk of malaria has access to timely diagnosis and treatment, particularly in remote and indigenous communities where the disease remains...

::5 Nov 2025

PAHO/WHO calls for urgent donor support for health response after Hurricane Melissa's devastating impact in Jamaica

Washington, DC, 5 November 2025 (PAHO/WHO)- The Pan American Health Organization/World Health Organization (PAHO/WHO) has issued a donor alert to mobilize critical resources for the health response following Hurricane Melissa, which has left a trail of destruction across Jamaica, Cuba, Haiti, and the Dominican Republic. The alert, now...

:: 5 Nov 2025

PAHO promotes digital innovation to improve vaccination recordkeeping in communities with limited connectivity

Washington, D.C., November 5, 2025 (PAHO) – A new digital application, developed by the Pan

American Health Organization (PAHO) in collaboration with Peru's Ministry of Health, is being used to improve the recording, management, and use of vaccination data in areas with limited internet access. The pilot of the Offline Immunization Digital...

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<u>PAHO calls for stronger regional health security at the 2025 annual meeting of the American Public Health Association</u>

Washington, D.C., November 2, 2025 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) kicked off its participation at the annual meeting of the American Public Health Association (APHA), calling on partners to strengthen regional cooperation and place public health at the center of national priorities. Addressing thousands of professionals...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

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WHO European Region EURO

:: One Health. One Planet. Our Responsibility.

Time for action: a joint statement of the EU Cross-agency One Health Task Force and the European and Central Asia Quadripartite on One Health

3 November 2025 Joint News Release

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations. Latest WHO official reports for emergency situations.

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Public Health Situation Analysis - South Sudan

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health events or potential events of concern.

5 November 2025 | Rift Valley fever- Mauritania and Senegal

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

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https://www.who.int/publications/journals/weekly-epidemiological-record

:: Global leishmaniasis surveillance updates 2024: consolidating gains and new initiatives

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Regional workshop Capacity Building in Technology Transfer on Public-Health Oriented
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Health Technologies

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<u>Catalyzing solutions for equitable global access and sustainable financing for novel tuberculosis vaccines for adults and adolescents</u>

Overview

This report was developed by the WHO TB Vaccine Accelerator Finance and Access working group, coled by WHO, Gavi and the Government of South Africa. It sets out the working group's shared vision for equitable access to novel TB vaccines and will advance a shared understanding of the current landscape and its possible evolution in the future. It identifies six urgently needed solutions to accelerate access and financing and highlights the roles of different stakeholders to support the implementation of these solutions.

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Risk assessment of Listeria monocytogenes in foods: part 2: Risk assessment: meeting report

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Intersectoral global action plan on epilepsy and other neurological disorders

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World Local Production Forum on enhancing access to medicines and other health technologies: report of the third meeting, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, 7–9 April 2025

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<u>Strategic and Technical Advisory Group for Tuberculosis: annual meeting report, Geneva, Switzerland, 10-11 June 2025</u>

Overview

This report provides the conclusions and recommendations of the 25th meeting of the WHO Strategic and Technical Advisory Group for Tuberculosis (STAG-TB), held in June 2025 in Geneva, Switzerland. In its work on TB, the World Health Organization (WHO) aims for a world free of TB and, as part of the Sustainable Development Goals, to end the global TB epidemic by 2030. It seeks to enable universal access to TB prevention and care, guide the global response to threats, and promote innovation. The WHO Secretariat, at all its levels, requires regular scientific, technical and strategic advice from the STAG-TB.

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Africa

Africa CDC [08 Nov 2025] https://africacdc.org/ Press Releases, Statements [Selected]

Africa CDC Pushes for Country-Level Action in Version 2.0 of the African Union Framework for AMR (2026–2030)

7 November 2025

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia | 7 November 2025 — A three-day continental meeting hosted at the Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) headquarters closed with a strong call to translate antimicrobial resistance (AMR) strategies into country-level action, as African Union (AU) organs and Member States move to finalise a strengthened Framework 2.0 to guide implementation from 2026 to 2030...

Press Releases

Africa and Europe strengthen the AU-EU health partnership

5 November 2025

Wednesday, November 5 – Pretoria, South Africa.

Today, guided by the principles of equity, security, and resilience, African and European delegates reaffirm their wide-ranging partnership on health as part of their annual high-level steering meeting, laying the groundwork for deeper cooperation ahead of the AU-EU Summit in Luanda, Angola (November 24-25, 2025) and marking the next phase in the broader <u>25-year AU-EU collaboration</u> (#AUEU25)...

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China - CDC+

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National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [08 Nov 2025]

http://en.nhc.gov.cn/

News

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National Medical Products Administration – PRC [08 Nov 2025]

http://english.nmpa.gov.cn/

News

Revision and Release of the Good Manufacturing Practice for Medical Devices

On November 4, the National Medical Products Administration (NMPA) released the revised version of the Good Manufacturing Practice for Medical Devices (hereinafter referred to as the GMP). The new GMP for medical devices shall come into effect as of November 1, 2026.

China CDC

CCDC Weekly Reports: Current Volume (7)

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Europe

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

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ECDC marks its 20-year anniversary with key milestones and future perspectives in a changing landscape

4 Nov 2025

... was created in 2005 following the severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS) outbreak. The Agency reports on over 60 infectious diseases, on antimicrobial resistance and healthcare-associated infections in the EU. It assesses risks, coordinates epidemic response, and provides a surveillance hub for EU countries. The Agency also increasingly cooperates with partners across the globe. Following the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020-23, ECDC's mandate was extended to strengthen its role in crisis preparedness and to support EU countries directly...

<u>Time for action: A Joint Statement of the EU Cross-agency One Health Task Force and the European and Central Asia Quadripartite on One Health</u>

3 Nov 2025

Surveillance and monitoring

Seasonal surveillance of dengue in the EU/EEA

7 Nov 2025

This report gives an overview of the countries and areas where dengue cases – and their corresponding case numbers - have been reported to the European surveillance portal for infectious diseases (EpiPulse).

Surveillance and monitoring

Seasonal surveillance for chikungunya virus disease in the EU/EEA for 2025

7 Nov 2025

Update providing weekly overview of the countries and areas where chikungunya virus disease cases have been reported.

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news News & Press Releases No new digest content identified.

India

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National Centre for Disease Control

Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare Announcements
No new digest content identified.

U.S. Immunization and Public Health Governance/Policy/Funding

Given the continuing extraordinary situation in the U.S., we have established a separate section of the digest to capture and organize key content. Please note that we will selectively include external analysis and comment, indenting this content under the relevant organization/action. We recognize that despite the volume of content in this section, this summary is indicative and not exhaustive.

White House, HHS, FDA, CDC+

White House

<u>Presidential Actions – Executive Orders; Memoranda; Proclamations</u> No new digest content identified.

Department of State

<u>Press Releases</u> - Selected No new digest content identified.

HHS

<u>Press Room</u> - Selected No new digest content identified.

NIH

http://www.nih.gov/ News Releases - Selected No new digest content identified.

FDA

<u>Press Announcements</u> - Selected FDA News Release

FDA Awards Second Batch of National Priority Vouchers

November 06, 2025

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today announced six additional awardees under the <u>Commissioner's National Priority Voucher (CNPV) pilot program</u>. This second cohort brings the total number of voucher recipients to 15, underscoring the agency's commitment to accelerating the review of products with the potential to address key national priorities.

...The following products were selected following external applications and internal nominations from FDA review divisions:

- Zongertinib for HER2 lung cancer
- Bedaguiline for drug-resistant tuberculosis in young children
- Dostarlimab for rectal cancer
- Casgevy for sickle cell disease
- Orforglipron for obesity and related health conditions
- Wegovy for obesity and related health conditions

FDA CBER

Latest News

- November 7, 2025 Approval Letter Measles, Mumps, and Rubella Virus Vaccine
 Live [Merck]
- 11/6/2025 [September 26, 2025] Chair Review Memorandum MNEXSPIKE
- November 5, 2025 Approval Letter BioThrax

FDA VRBPAC [Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee]

Advisory Committee Calendar No future meetings posted.

FDA Pediatric Advisory Committee Meeting

Advisory Committee Calendar

<u>Pediatric Advisory Committee (PAC); Notice of Meeting; Establishment of a Public Docket; Request for Comments</u>

A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 10/02/2025

DATES: The meeting will be held on virtually on **November 13, 2025**, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time (ET).

CDC

http://www.cdc.gov/media/index.html

Latest News - Selected

No new digest content identified.

CDC – Immunization Safety Office (ISO)

https://www.cdc.gov/vaccine-safety-systems/about/cdc-monitoring-program.html No new digest content identified.

ACIP

2026 Meetings Schedule

- February 25-26
- June 24-25
- October 21-22

MMWR Weekly

https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2025.html

September 25, 2025 / No. 36

No new edition identified.

National Vaccine Program Committee (NVAC)

https://www.hhs.gov/vaccines/about/index.html

Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates

No 2025 meeting dates posted.

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV)

https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/meetings

Next ACCV Meeting - TBD [To be re-scheduled from original date January 29, 2025]

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NSF

News

No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Congress

House of Representatives

No new digest content identified.

U.S. Senate

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions (HELP) Committee

No new digest content identified.

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Supreme Court, Federal & Appellate Courts

No new digest content identified.

U.S. States No new digest content identified.

U.S. Medical Societies, Health Organizations

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases-from-the-aap/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) News No new digest content identified.

American College of Physicians (ACP)

https://www.acponline.org/more-acp-news (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) ACP News No new digest content identified.

Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)

https://www.idsociety.org/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) News releases and statements

<u>Plaintiffs in AAP v. Kennedy File Amended Complaint Seeking Reconstitution of ACIP, Addressing Harms of Shared Clinical Decision Making</u>

Last Updated November 06, 2025

Plaintiffs in American Academy of Pediatrics et al. v. Robert F. Kennedy, Jr. et al. today announced the filing of an amended complaint in the U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts, expanding its plea to request that the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) be disbanded and reconstituted under court supervision.

The amended complaint asserts that the current ACIP has been arbitrarily and capriciously -- and therefore unlawfully -- appointed, necessitating that all decisions made by the committee be declared null and void. This action underscores the plaintiffs' commitment to restoring lawful, science-based vaccine policy and safeguarding public health.

The amended complaint also brings to light the significant harms caused by the Secretary's directive and subsequent decision-making by ACIP to change the CDC's immunization schedule for Covid-19 vaccines to shared clinical decision making (SCDM). The SCDM designation, without being accompanied by additional guidance from CDC for families and clinicians as it typically is for other vaccines, has placed additional burdens on clinicians and families. In practice, this has caused confusion among doctors, pharmacists, and patients, leading to denial of vaccines, increased stress, and uncertainty about eligibility and insurance coverage.

"This case is about safeguarding public health and ensuring that vaccine policy reflects science and transparency. **Our goal is to restore confidence in the systems that guide our nation's immunization policies,"** said Richard Hughes IV, partner at Epstein Becker

Green and lead counsel for the plaintiffs. "With this litigation, we are reinforcing the principle that public health decisions must be lawful, transparent, and rooted in science."

"The US government must not be allowed to restrict the ability of Americans to protect themselves and their families. We are bringing this lawsuit to ensure continued access to life-saving vaccines. The Secretary's actions have made it significantly harder for people to get vaccinated, sown unfounded doubt in vaccines, and contributed to mistrust of medical science knowledge for infectious diseases including Covid-19, measles, and hepatitis B. This is leaving individuals, health care systems, and communities increasingly vulnerable to severe disease and destabilizing outbreaks. Our nation's infectious diseases physicians will not allow this dangerous injustice to stand," said IDSA President Ronald Nahass, MD, MHCM, FIDSA.

The original complaint challenged actions undermining evidence-based immunization policy. The amended filing strengthens plaintiffs' arguments by adding new prayers for relief and detailed evidence of harm caused by Secretary Kennedy's broad assault on the United States' vaccine infrastructure.

The American Academy of Pediatrics
The American Public Health
The American College of Physicians
The Infectious Diseases Society of.
The Massachusetts Public Health Alliance
The Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine

<u>IDSA releases RSV and flu vaccine guidelines for people who are immunocompromised</u>

Last Updated November 04, 2025

The Infectious Diseases Society of America released new flu and RSV vaccination guidelines for adults and children who are immunocompromised. Experts in infectious diseases recommend that all adults and children who are immunocompromised receive an age-appropriate flu vaccine for the 2025-2026 season. All adults and adolescents who are immunocompromised should receive the RSV vaccine, and for children under the age of 18, parents and/or guardians should consult their children's health care providers.

The panel noted that live-attenuated flu vaccines, such as FluMist, are not recommended for people who are immunocompromised or the people living in their household. Patients should discuss vaccination timing and other individual considerations with their health care providers...

The recommendations are based on a systematic literature review conducted by the <u>Vaccine Integrity Project</u> and supplementary searches and evidence reviews conducted by a panel of experts in infectious diseases. The panel included scientists with expertise in adult and pediatric infectious diseases, including treating patients who are immunocompromised; vaccines and vaccine research; and transplant medicine.

In addition to Dr. Baden, guideline authors include Anoma Nellore, MD; Paul Goepfert, MD; Chen (Sabrina) Tan, MD, FIDSA; Kristina Bajema, MD, MSc; Katherine Belden, MD, FIDSA; Dean Blumberg, MD; Morgan Katz, MD, MHS; Daniel Kaul, MD, FIDSA; Tanvi Sharma, MD, MPH; Shweta Anjan, MD, FIDSA; Ella Ariza-Heredia, MD, FIDSA; Francisco Magana, MD; Timothy Minniear, MD, MSc; Jennifer Loveless, MPH; Dipleen Kaur, MPH; Elizabeth York, MPH; and Yngve Falck-Ytter, MD, AGAF.

American Public Health Association (APHA)

https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/newsreleases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) News Releases No new digest content identified.

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM)

https://www.smfm.org/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) News

No new digest content identified.

Massachusetts Public Health Alliance (MPHA)

https://mapublichealth.org/press-room/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) Press Room No new digest content identified.

American Medical Association (AMA)

https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) Press Center - Latest News No new digest content identified.

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

https://www.aafp.org/news/media-center.html (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) Statements, Releases No new digest content identified.

American Geriatrics Society (AGS)

https://www.americangeriatrics.org/media-center (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) Recent Press Releases No new digest content identified.

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)

https://osteopathic.org/news/
(Accessed 04 Sep 2025)

Latest News
No new digest content identified.

National Medical Association (NMA)

https://nmanet.org/blog/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) Latest News No new digest content identified.

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)

https://www.nfid.org/news-updates/ (Accessed 04 Sep 2025) News and Updates No new digest content identified.



Civil Society – Individuals, Organizations, Institutions

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Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.kff.org/search/?post_type=press-release

Newsroom

Questions for the America First Global Health Strategy

Nov 6, 2025 Perspective

Authored by KFF's Jen Kates and Boston University's Debbie Stenoien and Allyala Nandakumar as well as independent consultant Michael Ruffner, this post for ThinkGlobalHealth identifies and examines several key issues and questions that lie ahead for the America First Global Health Strategy — the first roadmap for what comes next for the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and other global health programs the United States supports financially.

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Vaccine Integrity Project - CIDRAP

https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/vaccine-integrity-project No new digest content identified.

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Paul Ofit, MD - Beyond the Noise

Substack

No new digest content identified.

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Organization Announcements

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [08 Nov 2025]

https://alleninstitute.org/news-press/

News

Scientists complete first drafts of developing mammalian brain cell atlases

Nov 5, 2025

New research reveals how early brains form and the critical periods that could help diagnose and treat brain disease.

News

Allen Institute announces 2025 Next Generation Leaders

Nov 4, 2025

The program continues to expand beyond neuroscience. This year, researchers bring critical expertise in theory, immunology, and cell biology

BMGF - Gates Foundation [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.gatesfoundation.org/ideas/media-center

Press Releases & Statements Press release Nov 07, 2025

<u>Gates Foundation Announces New Commitment for Smallholder Farmers on the Frontlines</u> of Extreme Weather

Belém, Brazil (November 7, 2025) — The Gates Foundation today announced a new commitment to advancing climate adaptation, helping smallholder farmers build resilience to a warming world and protect hard-won gains against poverty.

Announced at COP30 in Belém, Brazil, where leaders are emphasizing locally driven adaptation, the four-year, \$1.4 billion investment will expand access to innovations that help farmers across sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia adapt to extreme weather...

The commitment supports Bill Gates' vision, outlined in <u>his recent COP30 memo</u>, of prioritizing climate investments for maximum human impact and advances the <u>foundation's goal of lifting millions of people out of poverty by 2045...</u>

CARB-X [08 Nov 2025]

https://carb-x.org/

News

No new digest content identified.

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [08 Nov 2025]

https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [08 Nov 2025]

http://cepi.net/ CEPI News, Blog

News

IAVI's Lassa fever vaccine shows promise in early clinical trials

Findings from CEPI-backed research testing the vaccine candidate's safety and immunogenicity were published in the New England Journal of Medicine.

5 Nov 2025

CIOMS - COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 08

Nov 20251

https://cioms.ch/

News; Publications; Events No new digest content identified. https://www.darpa.mil/news

News

No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases initiative [08 Nov 2025]

https://dndi.org/press/press-releases/

Press Releases 4 Nov 2025

<u>European Commission invests EUR 20 million to develop urgently-needed medicines</u> <u>against dengue in partnership with AFD and DNDi</u>

Dengue is spreading fast because of climate change and globalization, with a growing number of cases in previously unaffected European countries. Yet, there is still no specific treatment for the disease.

Duke Global Health Innovation Center [08 Nov 2025]

https://dukeghic.org/

News

No new digest content identified.

EDCTP [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.edctp.org/

The European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) aims to accelerate the development of new or improved drugs, vaccines, microbicides and diagnostics against HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria as well as other poverty-related and neglected infectious diseases in sub-Saharan Africa, with a focus on phase II and III clinical trials

News

No new digest content identified.

Emory Vaccine Center [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/ Vaccine Center News No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.euvaccine.eu/

No new digest content identified.

Fondation Merieux [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.fondation-merieux.org/

Actualités

No new digest content identified.

Gates Medical Research Institute [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.gatesmri.org/news

The Gates Medical Research Institute is a non-profit organization dedicated to the discovery, development and effective use of novel biomedical interventions addressing substantial global health concerns, for which investment incentives are limited.

News: Articles and Publications No new digest content identified.

Gavi [to 08 Nov 2025] https://www.gavi.org/ News Releases 26 November 2025

Brazil pledges US\$ 72 million in support of Gavi's global immunisation efforts

- Brazil commits US\$ 72 million to Gavi's 2026–2030 strategic period, reinforcing its role as a key stakeholder in global health and vaccine manufacturing
- The pledge will reinforce supply of yellow fever vaccine (which is manufactured in Brazil), protect Latin America against infectious diseases and help accelerate immunisation coverage in Africa
- Brazil's contribution underscores the importance of South–South cooperation and global solidarity to protect communities everywhere from life-threatening diseases

4 November 2025

Hungary pledges support to global immunisation efforts through Gavi

- Hungary makes first-ever pledge to Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance with EUR 1 million commitment, joining a growing group of new donors to Gavi's 2026–2030 funding cycle
- The commitment reinforces Hungary's leadership in global development and strategic partnership with Africa, aligned with Gavi's mission to save lives, keep the world safe from infectious disease threats and deliver economic benefits through immunisation
- Hungary's pledge builds on European leadership following the AVMA launch in Paris and the Global Summit in Brussels, and reflects shared values of solidarity, health equity and child protection in fragile and under-served settings

GE2P2 Global Foundation [08 Nov 2025]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements

Digests

- :: Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review Current edition
- :: Informed Consent: A Monthly Review May 2025
- :: Public Consultations Watch :: Global Calls for Input/Public Comment 03 Oct 2025
- :: Genomics :: Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice A Monthly Digest May 2025

GHIT Fund [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press
Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.theglobalfund.org/en/news/

News Releases

03 November 2025

African Union and Global Fund Formalize Cooperation to Strengthen Health

Systems and Development in Africa

The African Union (AU) and the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria (the Global Fund) today signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) to deepen collaboration in support of African countries' efforts to end AIDS, TB and malaria, strengthen health systems, increase domestic resource mobilization and advance health security and sustainable development across the continent...

Key areas of collaboration under the MoU include:

- Joint implementation of the AU Roadmap to 2030 & Beyond: Sustaining the AIDS Response, Ensuring Systems Strengthening and Health Security for the Development of Africa;
- Advancing domestic health financing reforms, including through AUDA-NEPAD, Regional Economic Communities (RECs), Regional Health Organizations (RHOs) and Regional Health Financing Hubs;
- Fostering integration of community health systems and digital innovation into national health strategies;
- Advocating for a successful Global Fund Eighth Replenishment to ensure continued investment in Africa's health systems;
- Developing coordinated responses to emerging health threats and biological resistance.

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [08 Nov

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https://www.glopid-r.org/

News & Events

No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.hilleman-labs.org/ News & Insights No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.hhmi.org/news

Press Room

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/

News

No new digest content identified.

IAVI [08 Nov 2025] https://www.iavi.org/

Press Releases, Features

Press Releases

Encouraging results from a first-in-human Phase 1 clinical trial of IAVI's Lassa vaccine candidate published in New England Journal of Medicine

INSERM [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.inserm.fr/en/home/

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

International Coalition of Medicines Regulatory Authorities [ICMRA]

http://www.icmra.info/drupal/en/news Selected Statements, Press Releases, Research No new digest content identified.

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.ich.org/

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

ICH: E20 EWG Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials

ICH Public consultation dates:

ANMAT, Argentina - Deadline for comments by 8 October 2025

EC, Europe - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025

Health Canada, Canada - Deadline for comments by 25 September 2025

MHRA, UK - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025

Swissmedic, Switzerland - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025

TFDA, Chinese Taipei - Deadline for comments by 13 October 2025

USA, FDA, Deadline 12/01 2025 Docket No. FDA-2025-D-3023

The E20 EWG is working on the development of a new E20 Guideline on "Adaptive Clinical Trials" on the design, conduct, analysis, and interpretation of adaptive clinical trials that provides a transparent and harmonized set of principles for the regulatory review of these studies in a global drug development program. These principles should also provide the flexibility to evaluate / discuss innovative approaches to clinical trial design throughout the development process.

Rapporteur: Dr. Gregory Levin (FDA, United States) Regulatory Chair: Dr. Christian Roes (EC, Europe) Date of Step 2b: 25 June 2025 Status: Step 3

Ongoing Public Consultations > M4Q(R2) EWG Revision of M4Q(R1) > Q3E EWG Guideline for Extractables and Leachables > E20 EWG Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials

https://www.ich.org/page/public-consultations

ICRC [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.icrc.org/en/news

News

Egypt: Al-Azhar, ICRC reaffirm the importance of preserving human dignity in armed conflicts

News release 07-11-2025

ICRC president: It takes courage to sit at the table with those the world condemns Statement 06-11-2025

Democratic Republic of the Congo: Ituri civilians trapped in a murderous cycle

News release 06-11-2025

IFFIm [08 Nov 2025] http://www.iffim.org/ Press Releases/Announcements No new digest content identified.

IFRC [to 08 Nov 2025]

http://media.ifrc.org/ifrc/news/press-releases/

Press releases

Press release 31/10/2025

Cuba: IFRC launches emergency appeal to assist 100,000 people affected by Hurricane Melissa while arbovirus outbreak risk rises

Press release 30/10/2025

Jamaica: IFRC launches emergency appeal in response to Hurricane Melissa. Aid distribution is well under way

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [08 Nov 2025]

https://ippsecretariat.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Institut Pasteur [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.pasteur.fr/en/press-area

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://council.science/current/

ISC is a non-governmental organization with a unique global membership that brings together 40 international scientific Unions and Associations and over 140 national and regional scientific organizations including Academies and Research Councils.

news

06 November 2025 - 16 min read

Open Science round-up: Rethinking research assessment and renewing global commitments to openness

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

https://iuis.org/ News, Resources No new digest content identified.

IVAC [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.jhsph.edu/research/centers-and-institutes/ivac/index.html

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [08 Nov 2025] http://www.ivi.int/ IVI News & Announcements No new digest content identified.

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [08 Nov 2025]

https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom Center News [Selected] No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html Latest News and Highlights No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 08 Nov 2025]

http://www.msf.org/ Latest [Selected Announcements] Syria

People in northeast Syria continue to struggle to access basic needs

Press Release 6 Nov 2025

Democratic Republic of Congo

MSF ends activities in Salamabila after seven years of care

Project Update 5 Nov 2025

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://nam.edu/programs/ News, Stories, Insights No new digest content identified.

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM]- USA [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom

News

No new digest content identified.

PATH [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.path.org/media-center/

Newsroom [Selected] No new digest content identified.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.sabin.org/press/ Latest News & Press Releases No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.unaids.org/en News, Stories, Updates

Press Statement

G20 Statement sets out actions to protect public health by fighting inequalities. Experts say the inequality-pandemic cycle can be broken.

POLOKWANE, SOUTH AFRICA, 7 November 2025 — The Ministerial Statement issued from the G20 Ministerial in Polokwane has set out concrete actions to protect public health by fighting inequalities. The statement details key global and national steps to address the inequality-drivers of pandemics including AIDS and to help end TB, to advance access to medicines and to strengthen global health security.

UNICEF [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.unicef.org/media/press-releases

Latest press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]

Press release 06 November 2025

<u>UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Orlando Bloom visits Rohingya refugee camps in</u>
<u>Bangladesh, where funding cuts are putting half a million children's futures at risk</u>

DHAKA/NEW YORK, 6 November 2025—, UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador Orlando Bloom visited Bangladesh this week to see the impact of severe cuts to official development assistance (ODA) on the half a million children living in the Rohingya camps in Cox's Bazar. During the four-day visit, Bloom met with children, families...

Press release 04 November 2025

Hunger and malnutrition deepen as conflict and access constraints persist in South Sudan

JUBA, South Sudan, 4 November 2025, – The United Nations today warns that South Sudan continues to face a severe food and nutrition crisis, which is threatening to deteriorate further unless urgent humanitarian action is mounted. The latest Integrated Food Security Phase Classification (IPC) report, released today...

Unitaid [08 Nov 2025] https://unitaid.org/ Press Releases No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [08 Nov 2025]

https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/

News

No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Confidence Project [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/ News, Research and Reports No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center – Children's Hospital of Philadelphia [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.chop.edu/centers-programs/vaccine-education-center
News

Vaccine Update Newsletter October 2025

Vaccine Update is our monthly email newsletter that will keep you up to date on current vaccine-related issues. For quick access to 2025 *Vaccine Update* "Fast Facts" articles, scroll to the bottom of this page.

Wellcome Trust [08 Nov 2025]

https://wellcome.org/news/all News. Opinion, Reports No new digest content identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 08 Nov 2025]

https://www.wistar.org/news/press-releases

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

World Bank [to 08 Nov 2025]

http://www.worldbank.org/en/news/all

News [Selected]

World Annual Fresh Water Losses Could Supply 280 Million People

New report links poor land and water management to accelerating freshwater loss.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4, 2025— The world is losing 324 billion cubic meters of freshwater every year, enough to meet the needs...

Date: November 04, 2025 Type: Press Release

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.wfpha.org/

Blog, Events

No new digest content identified.

World Medical Association [WMA] [to 06 Sep 025]

https://www.wma.net/news-press/press-releases/

Press Releases

WHPA Urges COP30 to Build Climate-Smart, Health Professional-Led Health Systems under the Belém Health Action Plan

06.11.2025

World Organisation for Animal Health [OIE] [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.oie.int/

Press Releases, Statements

No new digest announcements identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [08 Nov 2025]

https://alliancerm.org/press-releases/

Selected Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

BIO [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.bio.org/press-releases

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [08 Nov 2025]

http://www.dcvmn.org/
News; Upcoming events

No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA - International Council of Biotechnology Associations [08 Nov 2025]

https://internationalbiotech.org/news/

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [08 Nov 2025]

https://ifpma.org/

Statement 5 Nov 2025

WIPO Standing Committee on Patents (SCP 37): Technology Transfer

On 5 November 2025, IFPMA delivered a statement on technology transfer at the WIPO Standing Committee on Patents (SCP 37) in Geneva. Technology transfer in the pharmaceutical sector is a complex and resource-intensive process. It requires significant technical expertise, time, and investment, as well as a robust, stable, and predictable intellectual property framework, which is...

Statement 4 Nov 2025

WIPO Standing Committee on Patents (SCP 37): Patents and health

On 4 November 2025, IFPMA delivered a statement on patents and health at the WIPO Standing Committee on Patents (SCP 37) in Geneva. The International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers and Associations (IFPMA) represents the global research-based biopharmaceutical industry. We appreciate the opportunity to address the Committee on patents and health. Intellectual property is fundamental to...

Statement 3 Nov 2025

Statement on PABS Instrument at the third meeting of the open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 3) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement

On 3 November 2025 in Geneva, IFPMA delivered a statement at the third meeting of the openended Intergovernmental Working Group (IGWG 3) on the WHO Pandemic Agreement.

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [08 Nov 2025]

https://www.iapo.org.uk/news Press and media [Selected] No new digest announcements identified.

International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association [IGBA]

https://www.igbamedicines.org/

News

WHO Director General Reaffirms the Critical Role of Quality-Assured Generic and Biosimilar Medicines at WHO Global Forum for Public Procurement of Health Products (November 2025)

At the WHO Global Forum for Public Procurement of Health Products, a powerful reminder was shared by WHO's Director-General, Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus.

Global Biosimilars Week 2025 Launches: Advancing Health Equity Through Wise Investment in Access to Medicines (November 2025)

Today marks the launch of Global Biosimilars Week 2025, an international awareness campaign led by the International Generic and Biosimilar Medicines Association (IGBA). This year's theme,...

PhRMA [08 Nov 2025] http://www.phrma.org/ Press Releases No new digest announcements identified.

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Vaccines/Therapeutics/Medicines – Selected Developer/Manufacturer Announcements
We recognize that this listing is indicative but certainly not exhaustive. We invite nomination of other vaccine developers for potential addition to those monitored below.

AstraZeneca

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Bavarian Nordic

Latest News

<u>Consortium consisting of Nordic Capital and Permira announces preliminary result of the takeover offer to shareholders of Bavarian Nordic and that the Offer is withdrawn and will not be completed</u>

Published on November 06, 2025, 15:03 CET

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

<u>Últimas Noticias</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Biological E

<u>News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

BioNTech

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Boehringer

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

CanSinoBIO

News - Website not responding at inquiry.

CIGB

Latest News - No new digest announcements identified.

CinnaGen

Recent News - No new digest announcements identified.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

<u>News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

CSL Sequirus

News Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Curevac

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Dailchi Sankyo

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik

<u>Latest News and Events</u> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020] <u>https://sputnikvaccine.com/</u> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]

GSK

<u>Press releases for media</u> - No new digest announcements identified

EuBiologics, S Korea

News - No new digest announcements identified.

HIPRA

Press releases

Minister of Health Mónica García announces that HIPRA's COVID-19 vaccine will be available for the 2025-2026 vaccination campaign [Spain] 07-11-2025

IMBCAMS, China

Home - Website not responding at inquiry.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Merck

News releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Nanogen

<u>News</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

Novartis

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Novavax

Press Releases

Novavax Completes U.S. Marketing Authorization Transfer to Sanofi for Nuvaxovid™, Triggering a \$25 Million Milestone Payment

GAITHERSBURG, Md., Nov. 4, 2025 /PRNewswire/ -- Novavax, Inc. (Nasdaq: NVAX) has completed the transfer of the U.S. marketing authorization for its COVID-19 vaccine, Nuvaxovid[™] to Sanofi, enabling Sanofi to take full responsibility for commercial and regulatory activities in the U.S. and fulfilling part of its <u>collaboration and license agreement</u> (CLA).

Pfizer

Recent Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

R-Pharm

https://rpharm-us.com/index.php
[No news or media page identified]

Sanofi Pasteur

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Serum Institute

News & Announcements - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinopharm/WIBPBIBP

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Sinovac

<u>Press Releases</u> - No new digest announcements identified.

SK Biosciences

Press Releases

IDT Biologika Accelerates Global CDMO Expansion Manufacturing capabilities highlighted through consecutive participation in WVC, CPHI and BIO-Europe 2025

Showcased end-to-end, customized manufacturing capabilities covering vaccines, gene and immune thera...

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Takeda

Newsroom

New Phase 3 Data Show Takeda's Dengue Vaccine Delivers 7 Years of Sustained Protection Against Infection and Hospitalization

November 3, 2025

Valneva

Press Releases

November 4, 2025

<u>Valneva Reports Positive Results for Phase 1 Trial of Second-Generation Zika Vaccine</u>
Candidate

WestVac Biopharma

Media - No new digest announcements identified.

Zhifei Longcom, China

[Anhui Zhifei Longcom Biologic Pharmacy Co., Ltd.] <u>Website</u> [No News/Announcements page identified]

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Journal Watch

Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review continues its weekly scanning of key peer-reviewed journals to identify and cite articles, commentary and editorials, books reviews and other content supporting our focus on vaccine ethics and policy. Journal Watch is not intended to be exhaustive, but indicative of themes and issues the Center is actively tracking. We selectively provide full text of some editorial and comment articles that are specifically relevant to our work. Successful access to some of the links provided may require subscription or other access arrangement unique to the publisher.

If you would like to suggest other journal titles to include in this service, please contact David Curry at: david.r.curry@centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.org

AJOB Empirical Bioethics

Volume 16, 2025 Issue 3 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current [Reviewed earlier]

AMA Journal of Ethics

Volume 27, Number 11: E769-822 November 2025

https://journalofethics.ama-assn.org/issue/electronic-health-record-evolution

Electronic Health Record Evolution

Patients' charts once hung at the feet of their hospital beds, and their purpose was to serve as the record of care for a particular patient. Now, electronic health records (EHRs) have several functions and serve many stakeholders' interests. This theme issue investigates which kinds of work EHRs should do—and for whom—and whose interests EHRs should serve when information is entered, organized, reviewed, responded to, extracted, or amended. This issue also investigates which values should inform EHR stewardship and innovation decisions and from whose perspectives the stakes of those decisions should be framed.

American Journal of Human Genetics

Nov 06, 2025 Volume 112 Issue 11 p2563-2814

https://www.cell.com/ajhg/current

This month in *The Journal*

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Rare diseases affect more than 5% of the population in the United States. Classically, rare diseases are diagnosed through a phenotype-first approach in which individuals with distinct clinical features undergo genetic testing to identify the underlying genetic basis of their disorder. This approach can lead to ascertainment bias toward individuals with more severe or well-characterized phenotypes, leaving many affected individuals without a diagnosis. A genotype-first approach could increase diagnoses and provide insight into the phenotypic spectrum and prevalence of rare diseases, but this approach is difficult to apply at scale.

Articles

A scalable approach for genomic-first rare disorder detection in a healthcare-based population

Rebecca I. Torene, et al.

Beyond commonly screened disorders, genomic-first ascertainment of genetic disorders remains underexplored. We developed a scalable framework for 2,701 additional rare genetic disorders, identifying pathogenic variants in 3.2% of a healthcare-based cohort (n = 218,680). Most lacked a corresponding clinical diagnosis, suggesting under-diagnosis, reduced penetrance, and the value of genomics-first detection.

American Journal of Infection Control

November 2025 Volume 53 Issue 11 p1131-1242 http://www.ajicjournal.org/current Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

November 2025 Volume 69 Issue 5 https://www.ajpmonline.org/current Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

November 2025 115(11) http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 113 (2025): Issue 4 (Oct 2025) https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/113/3/tpmd.113.issue-4.xml Reviewed earlier]

Annals of Internal Medicine

October 2025 Volume 178, Issue 10

https://www.acpjournals.org/toc/aim/current

[Reviewed earlier]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 347 October 2025

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/346/suppl/C

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

http://resource-allocation.biomedcentral.com/

(Accessed 08 Nov 2025)
[No new digest content identified]

BMC Health Services Research

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmchealthservres/content

(Accessed 08 Nov 2025

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Infectious Diseases

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcinfectdis/content

(Accessed 08 Nov 2025)

<u>Epidemiology: Temporal and spatial patterns of measles in Amhara Region, Ethiopia,</u> 2019–2024: implications for targeted intervention

Measles is a highly contagious, vaccine-preventable viral disease that remains a major public health concern in low-income countries like Ethiopia, particularly in the Amhara Region. Despite ongoing vaccinatio...

Authors: Demeke Endalamaw, Endalkachew Nibret, Abaineh Munshea, Feleke Mekonnen, Senait Tadesse, Taye Zeru, Mesfin Tefera, Gizachew Yismaw, Tsigiereda Amsalu, Abraham Amsalu, Kindye

Endavlalu and Endalamaw Tesfa

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2025 25:1516

Content type: Research Published on: 6 November 2025

Health system and caregiver related factors influencing measles vaccination uptake: perspectives of Chadibe village, Botswana

Measles remain a significant public health concern, especially in Botswana, where sporadic and silent epidemics continue to challenge existing control measures. This study aimed to determine the health system ...

Authors: Gabalape Arnold Sejie, Andrew Diseko, Maatla Otsile Terena, Kesego Dikodi, Nsununguli

Tiyapo Kebaphekotse, Loago Bulawayo and Kefentse Mosarwane

Citation: BMC Infectious Diseases 2025 25:1484

Content type: Research Published on: 3 November 2025

BMC Medical Ethics

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmedethics/content

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BMC Medicine

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BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content (Accessed 08 Nov 2025) No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles

(Accessed 08 Nov 2025)

MPOX outbreak in Africa: the urgent need for local manufacturing of the vaccine and decolonized health systems

The resurgence of MPOX (formerly known as Monkeypox) across African countries has highlighted longstanding deficiencies in epidemic preparedness, vaccine access, and healthcare infrastructure on the continent....

Authors: Adanze Nge Cynthia and Gordon Takop Nchanji

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:3838

Content type: Systematic Review Published on: 7 November 2025

<u>Coverage of the influenza and pneumococcal vaccinations among immigrant and non-immigrant older adults in Canada: a cross-sectional analysis of data from the Canadian Longitudinal Study on Aging (CLSA)</u>

Influenza and pneumococcal vaccination coverage in older adults fall below the target of 80%. Being an immigrant may be associated with lower coverage of both vaccinations, but limited efforts have been made i...

Authors: Ji Yoon Kim, Giorgia Sulis, Alton Russell, Seungmi Yang, Jesse Papenburg, Ananya Banerjee

and Patricia Li

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:3775

Content type: Research Published on: 4 November 2025

Childhood vaccine hesitancy among academics in Türkiye

Vaccine hesitancy has been increasing both in Türkiye and worldwide, posing a growing challenge to public health efforts.

Authors: Aylin Palloş and Cevriye Yüksel Kaçan Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:3757

Content type: Research Published on: 3 November 2025

<u>COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy continuum and its psycho-behavioral predictive models among general population: a cross-sectional study in Ethiopia</u>

The COVID-19 vaccine hesitancy continuum reflects an individual decision-making process regarding vaccination, ranging from fully willing to accept the vaccine to outright refusal. This study assessed COVID-19...

Authors: Dawit Getachew, Nahom Solomon, Melsew Setegn Alie and Mengistu Ayenew

Citation: BMC Public Health 2025 25:3735

Content type: Research Published on: 3 November 2025

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http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content (Accessed 08 Nov 2025) [No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

October 2025 - Volume 30 - 5 https://ebm.bmj.com/content/30/5 [Reviewed earlier]

BMJ Global Health

October 2025 - Volume 10 - 10 https://gh.bmj.com/content/10/10 [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

DIGITAL MAGAZINE - September 2025 https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2025-09/#post-heading [Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 103, Number 10, October 2025, 577-640 https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin/ [Reviewed earlier]

Cell

Oct 30, 2025 Volume 188 Issue 22 p6105-6390 https://www.cell.com/cell/current [Reviewed earlier]

Cell and Gene Therapy Insights

May 2025 Issue Volume 11 Issue 4 https://www.insights.bio/cell-and-gene-therapy-insights/journal/250/volume-11-issue-4 [Reviewed earlier]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 51, Issue 6 November 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current [Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 118, Issue 4 Pages: 749-966 October 2025 https://ascpt.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/15326535/current

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Therapeutics

November 2025 Volume 47 Issue 11 p957-1088 http://www.clinicaltherapeutics.com/current Editorial

<u>Clinical Therapeutics Specialty Update: Advancing Diversity, Racial Equity, and Inclusion in Clinical Research</u>

Saudat Adamson Fadeyi, Jatinder Kaur Mukker Published online: October 24, 2025 p958-959

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<u>Building Equitable Partnerships Between Industry Sponsors and Indigenous Communities</u> to Enhance Engagement in Clinical Trials

Lancer Stephens, et al.

Published online: September 25, 2025

p981-991 Open Access

Clinical Trials

Volume 22 Issue 5, October 2025 https://journals.sagepub.com/toc/ctja/22/5 [Reviewed earlier]

Conflict and Health

http://www.conflictandhealth.com/ [Accessed 08 Nov 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Contemporary Clinical Trials

Volume 157 October 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/contemporary-clinical-trials/vol/157/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

The CRISPR Journal

Volume 8, Issue 5 / October 2025 https://www.liebertpub.com/toc/crispr/8/5 [Reviewed earlier]

Current Genetic Medicine Reports

Volume 13, Issue 1 December 2025 https://link.springer.com/journal/40142/volumes-and-issues/13-1 [Reviewed earlier]

Current Medical Research and Opinion

Volume 41, Issue 3 2025

https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/icmo20/current

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Current Opinion in Infectious Diseases

October 2025 - Volume 38 - Issue 5 https://journals.lww.com/co-infectiousdiseases/pages/currenttoc.aspx PAEDIATRIC AND NEONATAL INFECTIONS [Reviewed earlier]

Current Protocols in Human Genetics

https://currentprotocols.onlinelibrary.wiley.com/journal/19348258 [Accessed 08 Nov 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Cytotherapy

November 2025 Volume 27 Issue 1271 p121-1362 https://www.isct-cytotherapy.org/current Reviews

Key considerations for dose selection in first-in-human studies of cell and gene therapy products

Misaki Naota, et al. Published online: June 28, 2025 p1271-1278 Open Access

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Volume 25, Issue 3 Pages: 165-252 September 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14718847/current [Reviewed earlier]

Development in Practice

Volume 35, Issue 5, 2025 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/cdip20/35/5?nav=tocList [Reviewed earlier]

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Disaster Medicine and Public Health Preparedness

Volume 19 - 2025

https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/disaster-medicine-and-public-health-preparedness/latest-issue

[Reviewed earlier]

Disasters

Volume 50, Issue 1 January 2026 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/14677717/current ORIGINAL ARTICLE

Ethics and the governance of digital data in humanitarian action

Kristoffer Lidén

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First Published: 22 September 2025

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Future of development and humanitarian aid **Introduction**

Matthew Foley

e70011 First Published: 18 September 2025

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Volume 120 October 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/ebiomedicine/vol/120/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

EMBO Reports

Volume 26 Issue 21 6 November 2025 https://www.embopress.org/toc/14693178/current [New issue; No digest content identified]

Emerging Infectious Diseases

Volume 31, Number 10—October 2025 http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/eid/ [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 52 September 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/epidemics/vol/52/suppl/C [Reviewed earlier]

Epidemiology and Infection

Volume 153 - 2025

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Ethics & Human Research

Volume 47, Issue 5 Pages: 1-43 September–October 2025 https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/25782363/current [Reviewed earlier]

Ethics & International Affairs

Volume 39 - Issue 2 - Summer 2025

https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/latest-issue [

Roundtable: Global Governance in Hard Times

[Reviewed earlier]

Ethics, Medicine and Public Health

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<u>How vaccine-derived poliovirus has questioned the public health response to emerging infectious diseases</u>

A. Zarzeczny, P. Kahar, V. Weiss

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Battling measles: Shifting strategies to meet emerging challenges and inequities

F. Pasadyn, N. Mamo, A. Caplan

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The language of the unheard: Why measles vaccine hesitancy persists in Africa

S. Pillay, C. Ewuoso, L.A. Tandwa

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Research article Open access

<u>Pandemic, religion, and vaccination resistance: a multidimensional analysis of religious</u> communities in Italy

R. Leone, M.R. Gualano, W. Ricciardi

Article 101132

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Volume 35, Issue 5, October 2025

https://academic.oup.com/eurpub/issue/35/5

[New issue. No digest content identified]

Expert Review of Vaccines

Volume 24, 2025 Issue 1 https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/ierv20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Foreign Affairs

November/December 2025 Volume 104, Number 6 https://www.foreignaffairs.com/issues/2025/104/5 [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 52, 2025 - Issue 2 http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/sfds20/current

The Rebirth of the Global South: Geopolitics, Imageries, and Developmental Realities [Reviewed earlier]

Frontiers in Genetics

https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genetics [Accessed 08 Nov 2025] [No new digest content identified]

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https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/genome-editing [Accessed 08 Nov 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Frontiers in Medicine

https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/medicine/volumes?volume-id=1463 [Accessed 08 Nov 2025] [No new digest content identified]

Gene Therapy – Nature

Volume 32 Issue 5, October 2025 https://www.nature.com/gt/volumes/32/issues/5 [Reviewed earlier]

Genetics in Medicines

Volume 27, Issue 6 June 2025 https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/genetics-in-medicine/vol/27/issue/65 [Reviewed earlier]

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Volume 18, Issue 1 (2025) https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/zgha20/current?nav=tocList [Reviewed earlier]

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Global Public Health

Volume 20, Issue 1 (2025) http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/rgph20/current [Reviewed earlier]

Globalization and Health

http://www.globalizationandhealth.com/ [Accessed 08 Nov 2025]

Gaza's health emergency: impact of armed conflict and its global health repercussions

The Gaza Strip, characterized by its dense population and persistent geopolitical instability, has experienced decades of armed conflict, resulting in systematic healthcare infrastructure deterioration. The healthcare delivery system has been collapsed by Israeli military operations, creating cascading effects that extend beyond regional boundaries. The medical facilities have been targeted, combined with humanitarian aid restrictions, has created unprecedented challenges in providing essential healthcare services to the affected population. The environmental degradation resulting from infrastructure destruction poses additional threats to regional and global health systems. This analysis examines the multifaceted health crisis encompassing healthcare system dysfunction, pharmaceutical supply chain disruption, infectious disease proliferation, and the consequent implications for global health security.

Authors: Majid Ali, Inayat Ur Rehman, Kah Seng Lee and Long Chiau Ming

Citation: Globalization and Health 2025 21:65

Content type: Comment Published on: 5 November 2025

Health and Human Rights

Volume 27, Issue 1, June 2025

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[Accessed 08 Nov 2025]
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Vol. 12 No. 9 (2025): September 2025 https://www.ijcmph.com/index.php/ijcmph/issue/view/128 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Epidemiology

Volume 54, Issue 3, June 2025 https://academic.oup.com/ije/issue/54/3 [Reviewed earlier]

International Journal of Human Rights in Healthcare

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Artificial Intelligence in Peer Review

Roy H. Perlis, MD, MSc; Dimitri A. Christakis, MD, MPH; Neil M. Bressler, MD; et al. free access

JAMA. 2025;334(17):No Pagination Specified. doi:10.1001/jama.2025.15827 Editorial

<u>Guidance for Authors, Peer Reviewers, and Editors on Use of AI, Language Models, and Chatbots</u>

Annette Flanagin, RN, MA; Jacob Kendall-Taylor, BA; Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS JAMA

Reporting Use of AI in Research and Scholarly Publication—JAMA Network Guidance

Annette Flanagin, RN, MA; Romain Pirracchio, MD, MPH, PhD; Rohan Khera, MD, MS; Michael Berkwits, MD, MSCE; Yulin Hswen, ScD, MPH; Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, PhD, MD, MAS JAMA

JAMA Health Forum

November 2025, Vol 6, No. 11 https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama-health-forum/issue [New issue; No digest content identified]

JAMA Pediatrics

November 2025, Vol 179, No. 11, Pages 1139-1248 https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamapediatrics/currentissue JAMA Pediatrics Patient Page

What RSV Is and Why Immunization Matters

Alistair Mukondiwa, MD; Callie L. Brown, MD, MPH; Lindsay A. Thompson, MD, MS free access

JAMA Pediatr. 2025;179(11):1248. doi:10.1001/jamapediatrics.2025.3096

This *JAMA Pediatrics* Patient Page describes respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) in children and how to prevent its spread.

JBI Evidence Synthesis

October 2025 - Volume 23 - Issue 10 https://journals.lww.com/jbisrir/Pages/currenttoc.aspx [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Adolescent Health

November 2025 Volume 77 Issue 5 p797-1008 https://www.jahonline.org/current Commentaries

Adolescent and School-Based Vaccination: Crucial Components of Life Course Vaccination Globally

Paul Bloem, Laura Nic Lochlainn, Stephanie Shendale Published online: September 12, 2025

Journal of Artificial Intelligence Research

Vol. 83 (2025) https://www.jair.org/index.php/jair [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Bioethical Inquiry

Volume 22, Issue 3 September 2025 https://link.springer.com/journal/11673/volumes-and-issues/22-3 [New issue; No digest content identified]

Journal of Community Health

Volume 50, Issue 5 October 2025 https://link.springer.com/journal/10900/volumes-and-issues/50-5 Articles [Reviewed earlier]

Journal of Current Medical Research and Opinion

...a peer-reviewed, international journal for the rapid publication of original research on new and existing drugs and therapies, and post-marketing investigations. Equivalence, safety and efficacy/effectiveness studies are especially encouraged.

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https://www.cmro.in/index.php/jcmro/issue/view/91

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Journal of Development Economics

Volume 178 January 2026

https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/journal-of-development-economics/vol/178/suppl/C

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Journal of Empirical Research on Human Research Ethics

Volume 20 Issue 5, December 2025

http://journals.sagepub.com/toc/jre/current

Open access Review article

First published online October 1, 2025

A Scoping Review of Empirical Research on Research Ethics Board Membership and Expertise

Emma Tumilty

Empirical Studies on Research Ethics Issues

Research Ethics Committee Perspectives on the Reuse of Genetic Data: Gatekeepers of Responsible Research

Revana Siddappa Devarinti

Journal of Epidemiology & Community Health

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The advent of mRNA vaccines has revolutionized vaccine development, offering a swift and versatile development platform. One advantage possessed by mRNA vaccines is the ability to express antigens in soluble/secreted forms or transmembrane (TM) forms, which can better mimic the native viral envelope (Env) protein. Previous research has indicated some improvements in immune responses with the use of a TM Env trimer immunogen over the use of a secreted antigen, but the picture of the impact of TM antigens on the full immune response has remained incomplete.

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Safety and Immunogenicity of an rVSV Lassa Fever Vaccine Candidate

E. Malkin and Others

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Confounding fuels misinterpretation in human genetics

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Abstract

The scientific literature has seen a resurgence of interest in genetic influences on human behaviour and socioeconomic outcomes. Such studies face the central difficulty of distinguishing possible causal influences, in particular genetic and non-genetic ones. When confounding between possible influences is not rigorously addressed, it invites over- and misinterpretation of data. We illustrate the breadth of this problem through a discussion of the literature and a reanalysis of two examples. The first paper we

discuss suggested that patterns of similarity in social status between relatives indicate that social status is largely determined by one's DNA. Our reanalysis shows that the paper's conclusions are based on the conflation of genetic and non-genetic transmission (for example, of wealth) within families. The second paper we discuss posited that genetic variants underlying bisexual behaviour are maintained in the population because they also affect risk-taking behaviour and thereby confer an evolutionary fitness advantage through increased sexual promiscuity. In this case, too, our reanalysis shows that, though possible explanations cannot be distinguished, only one is chosen and presented as a conclusion. We discuss how issues of confounding apply more broadly to studies that claim to establish genetic underpinnings to human behaviour and societal outcomes.

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Reformation of science publishing: the Stockholm Declaration

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Abstract

Science relies on integrity and trustworthiness. But scientists under career pressure are lured to purchase fake publications from 'paper mills' that use AI-generated data, text and image fabrication. The number of low-quality or fraudulent publications is rising to hundreds of thousands per year, which—if unchecked—will damage the scientific and economic progress of our societies. The result is editor and reviewer fatigue, irreproducible experiments, misguided experiments, disinformation and escalating costs that devour funding from taxpayers intended for research. It is high time to reevaluate current publishing models and outline a global plan to stop this unhealthy development. A conference was therefore organized by the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences to draft an action plan with specific recommendations, as follows. (i) Academia should resume control of publishing using nonprofit publishing models (e.g. diamond open-access). (ii) Adjust incentive systems to merit quality, not quantity, in a reputation economy where the gaming of publication numbers and citation metrics distorts the perception of academic excellence. (iii) Implement mechanisms to prevent and detect fake publications and fraud which are independent of publishers. (iv) Draft and implement legislations, regulations and policies to increase publishing quality and integrity. This is a call to action for universities, academies, science organizations and funders to unite and join this effort. [Excerpt]

... The Stockholm Declaration is a call to action for all stakeholders in science and technology organizations around the world to unite in reforming the structure of the current science publishing culture [6] and to assure academic freedom and trustworthiness by community control. Other initiatives have formulated recommendations which are compatible with the present Stockholm Declaration (see table 1). They address topics such as transparency, fairness and academic control in publishing. Most also demand shifting control of scholarly publishing away from profit-driven corporations and back to the academic community...

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The need for a global effort to attend to human neural organoid and assembloid research

BY Sergiu P. Pașca, et al.

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A continuing international process is needed to monitor and advise this rapidly progressing field Abstract

Human neural organoid and assembloid research, unknown until a little more than a decade ago, has recently exploded. The amount of research, the types of organoids and assembloids, and the scope of the work have expanded markedly. Although some of the ethical and social questions that arise have been previously discussed, these issues continue to grow and become more pressing. In such a fast-moving field, any conclusions will be challenged by new developments. We argue that there is a crucial need for a continuing international process to watch, and to guide, the progress of this field. Whether operationalized through existing organizations or a new one, this process would collect and disseminate evolving information about research involving human neural organoids, assembloids, and their transplantation into nonhuman animals; promote discussion and engagement with associated ethics and policy issues among researchers and the public; and offer guidance when needed.

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<u>Vaccination Recommendation Patterns and Associated Factors Among Children with Special Health Care Needs: A Cross-Sectional Study in District-Level Immunization Services in China</u>

by Chenglian Wang, Li Zhang, Binyue Xu, Xiaolan Fu, Li Fu, Bowen Li, Wang Ju, Qingyu Li and Sitong Luo

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Abstract

Background: Children with special health care needs (CSHCN) are at heightened risk of delayed or missed vaccinations because of clinical complexity and provider uncertainty. Although China has issued expert consensus guidelines and established immunization advisory services, little is known about vaccination decision-making [...

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Abstract

Background/Objectives: Vaccine usage rates (VURs) for COVID-19 vaccines (C19V) in KwaZulu-Natal (KZN), South Africa, remain insufficiently documented. This study assessed VUR for Pfizer–BioNTech

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Vaccines 2025, 13(11), 1138; https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines13111138 - 4 Nov 2025

Abstract

Background: Despite growing recognition of vaccination social science as essential to immunization strategies, the field's evolution, geographic distribution, and research patterns remain poorly characterized. This study provides the first comprehensive mapping of the social science literature on vaccination over eight decades. Methods:

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<u>Variations in Routine Childhood Vaccination Gaps: A Decomposition Analysis Across 80</u> <u>Low- and Middle-Income Countries</u>

by David Phillips, Jordan-Tate Thomas and Gloria Ikilezi

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Abstract

Background: Despite remarkable progress in expanding access to childhood vaccines in the last two decades, global coverage with the third dose of the diphtheria–tetanus–pertussis-containing vaccine (DTP3) has recently plateaued, with many countries yet to meet the targets of the Immunization Agenda 2030 [...

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by Hadiza Joy Umar, Solomon Inalegwu Onah, Olalekan Popoola, Hadiza Hussayn Jibril and Femi Ovewole

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Abstract

Background/Objectives: Nigeria continues to face major challenges in achieving equitable immunisation coverage, with marked subnational disparities. This study aimed to assess trends in vaccine access and utilisation across Nigeria's six geopolitical zones between 2018 and 2024, focusing on inequities in DTP coverage, dropout [...

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<u>Climate Change and Pandemics – Co-Producing Crises: How can Bioethics be Enriched by Critical Forms of Scholarship, Histories, and Theories?</u>

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Abstract

Bioethics has become an increasingly influential discipline in shaping global health interventions. This is partly because bioethics can establish practical ethical guidelines by combining normative and empirical approaches. However, bioethics scholars have also criticised its limited scope, emphasising the need to re-centre the inherent interconnection between ethics and politics. The climate emergency and pandemics, as crises that coexist and disproportionately affect the global South, compel us to consider these critiques of bioethics.

Outside of bioethics, other academic disciplines have produced important critiques of global health, often drawing on critical social theories and methods. While some approaches draw on such critical scholarship, these critiques often remain separate from mainstream bioethics. This raises significant questions: How could bioethics be informed by critical approaches? How could bioethical approaches not only be strengthened to guide current research but also set the moral and ethical trajectory of research and services regarding pandemics and the climate crisis, thus making bioethics more robust and relevant?

Drawing on insights from an interdisciplinary engagement with scholars working across pandemics, climate change, and bioethics—predominantly voices from the global South—we develop a critical approach for reimagining bioethics in the context of intersecting global crises. We emphasise the distinction between bioethics and more critical scholarly approaches, propose ways to strengthen bioethics by drawing on more critical perspectives, and suggest ways to integrate critical scholarship into bioethical frameworks.

Plain Language Summary

Increasingly, attention is being paid to climate change and pandemics. This is especially so as those in the global South carry an unequal burden of these twin crises. Bioethics as a discipline is also turning its attention to these crises. Yet, it remains hamstrung, with its primary focus often on procedural and regulatory aspects. In this paper, we argue that bioethics can be informed by critical social science to respond effectively to these twin crises.

Other academic fields have developed important criticisms of global health using critical social theories, but these insights often remain separate from mainstream bioethics. This research, drawing mainly on voices from the global South, explores how bioethics could be strengthened by incorporating these critical perspectives. The goal is to make bioethics more relevant and robust for addressing intersecting global crises by better integrating critical scholarship.

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<u>Geographical Diversification of Vaccine Production: Challenges for Africa and Latin</u> America

William Savedoff
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Africa and Latin America face significant obstacles to expanding vaccine production, including limited effective demand, shortages of skilled personnel, and weak regulatory systems. Regional cooperation offers a clear path forward—but only if governments move from declarations of intent toward enfor...

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More From Less: Optimising Vaccines in a Constrained World

Witold Wiecek

November 04, 2025

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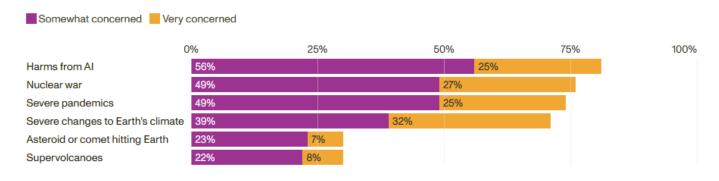
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U.S. Adults' Perceptions of Six Possible Global Threats and Hazards

This report presents U.S. adults' perceptions of risks of six possible global catastrophes: harms from artificial intelligence, asteroids and comets hitting Earth, severe changes to Earth's climate, nuclear war, severe pandemics, and supervolcanoes.

Figure 1. Percentage of U.S. Adults Who Are Very or Somewhat Concerned About Possible Global Threats and Hazards



SOURCE: Authors' analysis of RAND American Life Panel survey data, May-June 2025. NOTE: n = 8,793.

Urban Institute [to 08 Nov 2025]

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Public Consultations/Call for Inputs/Call for Papers

National Institute of Mental Health, Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee Call for Committee Membership Nominations

A Notice by the National Institutes of Health on 09/24/2025 **Nominations due November 10, 2025.**

SUMMARY:

The Office of the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) is seeking nominations of individuals to serve as non-federal public members on the Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee (IACC).

The Office of National Autism Coordination (ONAC) of the National Institute of Mental Health, National Institutes of Health is assisting the Department in conducting an open nomination process. Appointments of non-federal public members to the committee shall be made by the Secretary of Health and Human Services.

<u>Expedited Programs for Regenerative Medicine Therapies for Serious Conditions; Draft Guidance for Industry; Availability</u>

A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 09/25/2025 **Comment period ends 11/24/2025.**

Docket No. FDA-2017-D-6159 :: 21 pages SUMMARY:

This guidance provides sponsors engaged in the development of regenerative medicine therapies for serious or life-threatening diseases or conditions with our recommendations on the expedited development and review of these therapies, including as provided under section 506(g) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (FD&C Act), as added by section 3033 of the 21st Century Cures Act (Cures Act). Under section 506(g) of the FD&C Act, a regenerative medicine therapy can be designated as a regenerative advanced therapy if it meets certain criteria. FDA refers to such designation as "regenerative medicine advanced therapy" (RMAT) designation (see section III.C of this document). This guidance describes the expedited programs available to sponsors of regenerative medicine therapies for serious conditions, including those products designated as RMATs. To that end, the guidance provides information about the provisions in the Cures Act regarding the use of the accelerated approval pathway for regenerative medicine therapies that have been granted designation as an RMAT. Finally, the guidance describes considerations in the clinical development of regenerative medicine therapies and opportunities for sponsors of such products to interact with the Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research (CBER) review staff. As a general matter, this guidance addresses regenerative medicine therapies regulated by CBER as biological products under the FD&C Act, section 351 of the Public Health Service Act (PHS Act) (42 U.S.C. 262), and applicable regulations.

<u>Innovative Designs for Clinical Trials of Cellular and Gene Therapy Products in Small Populations; Draft Guidance for Industry; Availability</u>

A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 09/25/2025 **Comment period ends** (11/24/2025.

ICH: E20 EWG Adaptive Designs for Clinical Trials

ICH Public consultation dates:

ANMAT, Argentina - Deadline for comments by 8 October 2025

EC, Europe - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025
Health Canada, Canada - Deadline for comments by 25 September 2025
MHRA, UK - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025
Swissmedic, Switzerland - Deadline for comments by 30 November 2025
TFDA, Chinese Taipei - Deadline for comments by 13 October 2025
USA, FDA, Deadline 12/01/2025 Docket No. FDA-2025-D-3023

The E20 EWG is working on the development of a new E20 Guideline on "Adaptive Clinical Trials" on the design, conduct, analysis, and interpretation of adaptive clinical trials that provides a transparent and harmonized set of principles for the regulatory review of these studies in a global drug development program. These principles should also provide the flexibility to evaluate / discuss innovative approaches to clinical trial design throughout the development process.

Rapporteur: Dr. Gregory Levin (FDA, United States) Regulatory Chair: Dr. Christian Roes (EC, Europe) Date of Step 2b: 25 June 2025 Status: Step 3

Malaria: Developing Drugs for Treatment; Draft Guidance for Industry; Availability

A Notice by the Food and Drug Administration on 09/23/2025. Comment period ends 12/22/2025.

Docket No. FDA-2025-D-0918

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