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Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review
03 October 2026 :: Issue 863

This weekly digest targets news, events, announcements, articles and research in the vaccine and global health ethics and policy space and is aggregated from key governmental, NGO, international organization and industry sources, key peer-reviewed journals, and other media channels. This summary proceeds from the broad base of themes and issues monitored by the Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy in its work: it is not intended to be exhaustive in its coverage.

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Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review will resume publication with the edition of 17 October 2026 following duty travel by the Editor.

Milestones, Perspectives

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Strategic Advisory Group of Experts on Immunization (SAGE) – October 2026

5 – 8 October 2026

Meeting materials

- Draft agenda
- Declaration of Interest
- SAGE Yellow Book

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Ebola – Bundibugyo virus disease (BVD) – PHEIC/PHECS

WHO, Africa CDC, INGOs, Civil Society

No new digest content identified.

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Regions / Nation States

G20 Chair’s Statement: Ebola Ministerial on Accelerating Collective Action to Defeat Ebola

September 30, 2026

The United States convened a G20 Foreign Ministerial to reaffirm its commitment to accelerating collective action against the Ebola outbreak in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

The G20 and other major donors announced more than \$470 million in new commitments, surpassing \$2 billion in total global pledges since the outbreak began in May 2026.

As the current holder of the G20 Presidency, the United States invited other major health and humanitarian donors to the Foreign Ministerial on Ebola—including Poland, Ireland, the Netherlands, Norway, Singapore, Qatar, and the UAE—along with key organizations such as the Africa CDC, OCHA, the Pandemic Fund, UNICEF, and the World Bank.

We commend the health care workers, volunteers, and local communities battling this disease, which—as President Trump and other G7 Leaders recognized in June—poses unique challenges: it is centered in an isolated, conflict-affected area, and existing vaccines, diagnostics, and therapies are not fully effective against this Bundibugyo strain.

Global actors must scale up response activities across outbreak zones and strengthen preparedness in high-risk areas, including contact tracing, protecting frontline responders, expanding bed capacity, deploying new diagnostics, and **investing in vaccine development**. This disease can be defeated, as shown by the successful end of Uganda’s outbreak in August.

To advance these goals, the United States announced an additional \$267 million in health and humanitarian assistance, bringing the U.S. Government’s direct assistance to \$887

million. This new funding will support Ebola treatment units, broader health services, safe and dignified burial teams, mass procurements of personal protective equipment, expanded surveillance, and contact tracing through trusted local implementers. In addition to this direct Ebola funding, this year we have mobilized \$350 million in broader humanitarian assistance to the region through our global partnership with OCHA.

The following G20 members and other donors announced new funding commitments for the Ebola response during the G20 Foreign Ministerial on Accelerating Collective Action to Defeat Ebola:

- **Australia announced \$3.5 million** (5 million AUD) to the Ebola response.
- **France announced \$16 million** to the Ebola response bringing its total to \$34 million.
- **Germany announced an additional \$24.8 million** (€21.8 million), bringing its total funding to \$30.7 million to support laboratories, expand treatment capacity, train health workers, and strengthen health care and risk communication in communities.
- **Italy announced \$11.3 million** (€10 million), bringing its total to \$14.5 million (€12.8 million) to support clinical trials to assess the efficacy of the deployment of new vaccines, provisioning essential medical supplies, and to support prevention efforts.
- **Japan announced an additional \$5 million** in emergency grant aid, bringing its total support near \$12.4 million to use in the most severely affected region. The assistance aims to build technical capacity and dispatch experts.
- **The Republic of Korea announced a new commitment of \$18 million** to support the Ebola response, through global health partners, contributing to international efforts to strengthen access to vaccines, therapeutics, and other medical countermeasures.
- **The United Kingdom announced a new \$67.5 million** (£50 million) funding package, bringing its total support to \$105.6 million (£78.7) million, to strengthen disease surveillance, support frontline health workers, and expand access to treatment.
- **United Arab Emirates announced \$10 million** to the Ebola response.
- **The World Bank announced \$90 million** to the Ebola response—\$80 million from the Crisis Response Window and \$10 million from the Global Financing Facility to protect essential health services.

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Polio – PHEIC

Polio this week [30 Sep 2026]

Headlines [Selected]

:: WHO appoints Chris Wolff as Director of Polio Eradication

The Director-General of the World Health Organization (WHO) has appointed Mr Chris Wolff as Director of Polio Eradication at WHO, bringing one of the programme's most experienced operational and strategic leaders back to the Organization at a pivotal moment for global eradication efforts. The WHO polio eradication director also serves as the Chair of the Strategy Committee for the Global Polio Eradication Initiative. With more than two decades of experience across polio eradication, immunization and global health, Chris has helped shape some of the programme's most significant achievements – from supporting India's successful interruption of wild poliovirus transmission and leading WHO's global polio outbreak response and surveillance teams, to most recently advancing routine immunization, innovation and health systems strengthening at the Gates Foundation. Starting his new position, Chris emphasized that the programme's greatest strength remains its partnership. "One of the greatest privileges of this role is the opportunity to work alongside governments, WHO colleagues, UNICEF, CDC, the Gates Foundation, Gavi, donors and our extraordinary friends at Rotary International, whose commitment has inspired this effort for decades.

Above all, I look forward to supporting the frontline health workers and national programme teams. They are the true heroes of polio eradication."

:: Helen Rees, long-time polio fighter and IHR EC chair, honoured with lifetime achievement award

Professor Helen Rees, Chair of the IHR Emergency Committee on polio eradication, was awarded the prestigious South Africa National Research Foundation (NRF) 2026 Lifetime Achievement Award, the NRF's highest honour, for her outstanding contributions to public health, not least of course to polio eradication. [More](#).

:: What polio investments can achieve beyond eradication – example Iraq

During the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean, and as the first country in the region to complete polio transition, Iraq is showing how investments made for polio eradication can deliver lasting public health benefits, strengthening health system resilience, surveillance, laboratories and immunization systems. [More](#).

Summary of new polioviruses this week:

- :: Afghanistan : three WPV1 cases and 14 WPV1-positive environmental samples
- :: Central African Republic (CAR): one cVDPV2 case
- :: Chad : one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- :: DR Congo : three cVDPV2 cases
- :: Libya : one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample
- :: Nigeria : one cVDPV3 case
- :: Somalia : one cVDPV2-positive environmental sample

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WHO & Regional Offices [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.who.int/news>

Selected News/Announcements/Statements

2 October 2026 *Departmental update*

[**New WHO estimates show changing global health landscape**](#)

1 October 2026 *Departmental update*

[**WHO and the Netherlands strengthen partnership on global health security and emergency response**](#)

1 October 2026 *Departmental update*

[**UN Decade of Healthy Ageing midpoint report finds progress, calls for greater investment**](#)

30 September 2026 *Departmental update*

[**The WHO Academy expands multilingual learning to advance equitable access**](#)

30 September 2026 *News release*

[WHO releases new guidance to prevent heat-related illness at mass gatherings](#)

29 September 2026 *Departmental update*

[WHO advances tools to govern life sciences and dual-use research](#)

29 September 2026 *Departmental update*

[WHO and partners discuss governance of traditional medicine knowledge in the AI era at WIPO-IGC](#)

29 September 2026 *News release*

[WHO reports latest global trends in cholera, meningitis and plague](#)

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WHO Vaccines and Immunization [IVB]

https://www.who.int/health-topics/vaccines-and-immunization#tab=tab_1

News

No new digest content identified.

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WHO Regional Offices

Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region AFRO

:: 1 October 2026

[Behind the two drops: The people making every polio vaccination count](#)

:: 30 September 2026

[Ethiopia strengthens laboratory systems to improve disease outbreak preparedness and response](#)

:: 26 September 2026 | Feature Story

[Advancing Africa's cross-border collaboration through AI-assisted health emergency preparedness](#)

WHO Region of the Americas PAHO

:: 2 Oct 2026

[PAHO regional meeting of health ministers concludes with new measures to strengthen health security and address key health threats](#)

Health authorities approved new regional strategies to strengthen preparedness for health emergencies, tackle antimicrobial resistance, curb dengue and other arboviral diseases, and improve food safety, while advancing access to vaccines, medicines and other essential health technologies across the Americas. Washington, D.C., 2 October 2026 (PAHO...)

:: 1 Oct 2026

[Countries in the Americas can accelerate disease elimination through leadership, investment and partnerships](#)

Briefing session at PAHO Directing Council highlights country experiences, innovations and catalytic investments advancing the elimination of more than 30 communicable diseases and related conditions. Washington, D.C., 1 October 2026 (PAHO) – Countries of the Americas can accelerate efforts to eliminate more than 30 communicable diseases and...

:: 1 Oct 2026

Health Ministers approve new regional strategy to prevent and control dengue and other arboviral diseases in the Americas

Washington, D.C., 1 October 2026 (PAHO) – Member States of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) approved a common regional framework aimed at strengthening surveillance, prevention, preparedness and integrated response to dengue and other arboviral diseases across the Americas over the next decade. The document, adopted during PAHO's 63rd...

:: 30 Sep 2026

PAHO and Canada's Bruyère Health Research Institute strengthen partnership to advance disease elimination in the Americas

Washington, D.C., September 30, 2026 (PAHO) – The Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Regional Office for the Americas of the World Health Organization (WHO), and Canada's Bruyère Health Research Institute (Bruyère Health RI) have signed a new five-year framework agreement to strengthen collaboration on disease elimination, health equity...

:: 30 Sep 2026

Antimicrobial resistance: Americas adopt new regional action plan

Washington, D.C., 30 September 2026 (PAHO) – Health leaders from across the Americas have adopted a new regional Plan of Action on Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR) 2027–2031, aimed at strengthening efforts to prevent, detect and respond to drug-resistant infections while protect the effectiveness of life-saving medicines. Approved during the...

WHO South-East Asia Region SEARO

No new digest content identified.

WHO European Region EURO

No new digest content identified.

WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region EMRO

:: **Virtual week of the seventy-third session of the WHO Regional Committee for the Eastern Mediterranean**

28 September-1 October 2026

WHO Western Pacific Region

:: 1 October 2026 *News release*

WHO and partners showcase first Pandemic Fund multi-country project in the Western Pacific

:: 28 September 2026

Measles is making a comeback. Will we end it for good?

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WHO - Emergency situation reports

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

No new digest content identified.

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Disease Outbreak News (DONs)

Latest WHO Disease Outbreak News (DONs), providing information on confirmed acute public health
No new digest content identified.

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Weekly Epidemiological Record

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

Volume 101 Issue 39 Epidemiological Week 39 (21 September – 27 September 2026)

https://hq_weeklyepidemiologicalrecord.cmail19.com/t/d-e-wjidltl-ijjdtklujh-h/

- [Highlighted Signals and Events](#)
- [Multi-country outbreak of cholera](#)
- [Global programme to eliminate lymphatic filariasis: progress report, 2025](#)
- [Global Yellow Fever Update, 2025](#)

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New WHO Publications

<https://www.who.int/publications>

Selected

[WHO consolidated guidelines on tuberculosis: module 4: treatment and care, 2nd edition](#)

25 September 2026 | Guideline

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Africa

Africa CDC [03 Oct 2026]

<https://africacdc.org/>

News & Updates [Selected]

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

African Medicines Agency [03 Oct 2026]

<https://au-ama.africa/news-events/>

Latest News & Events

No new digest content identified.

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China – CDC+

National Health Commission of the People's Republic of China [03 Oct 2026]

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

News

Website not responding at inquiry.

National Medical Products Administration – PRC [03 Oct 2026]

<https://english.nmpa.gov.cn/>

Website not responding at inquiry.

China CDC

CCDC Weekly Reports: Current Volume (8)

2026 Vol. 8 No. 40 [PDF](#)

<https://weekly.chinacdc.cn/article/current>

Outbreak Reports

[Early Detection and Response to the First Imported Case of Zika Virus Disease — Hainan Province, China, 2025](#)

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Europe

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control

<https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en>

News/Updates/Reports/Publications [Selected]

[Risk to general population remains very low following fourth imported Ebola case in Europe](#)

1 October 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

[Seasonal surveillance of dengue in the EU/EEA](#)

2 October 2026

Surveillance and monitoring

[Seasonal surveillance for chikungunya virus disease in the EU/EEA for 2026](#)

2 October 2026

European Medicines Agency [EMA]

<https://www.ema.europa.eu/en/news>

News & Press Releases

[Meeting highlights from the Pharmacovigilance Risk Assessment Committee \(PRAC\) 28 September - 1 October](#)

PRAC carried out its broad range of responsibilities for managing the safety of medicines

2 October 2026

[EMA Management Board: highlights of September 2026 meeting](#)

Mid-year report and new pharmaceutical legislation among key topics

1 October 2026

[Global regulators call for advancing alternatives to animal testing across the medicine lifecycle](#)

International harmonisation is a key pillar of EMA's 3Rs strategy

1 October 2026

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India

[National Centre for Disease Control](#)

Directorate General of Health Services, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare

Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Ministry of Health and Family Welfare

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

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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, either boxing or 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

Executive Branch - White House, State, HHS, FDA, CDC+ **White House**

Presidential Actions – Executive Orders; Memoranda; Proclamations

No new digest content identified.

Department of State

Press Releases - Selected

Press Statements

Media Note

[G20 Chair's Statement: Ebola Ministerial on Accelerating Collective Action to Defeat Ebola](#)

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HHS

Press Room - Selected

[HHS Launches SURPASS and New Efforts to Accelerate Faster, Smarter Clinical Trials](#)

September 30, 2026 *Press Release*

New ARPA-H efforts aim to cut clinical trial timelines, reduce patient burden, and strengthen U.S. leadership in clinical development

[HHS Awards Funding to Improve Tick Control and Prevent Lyme Disease, Alpha-gal Syndrome and Other Tickborne Illnesses](#)

September 28, 2026 *Press Release*

NIH

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

FDA

Press Announcements

September 30, 2026 - FDA Launches Nationwide Effort to Expand Scientific Expertise and Consumer Voices to Advisory Committees

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration today announced a broad, nationwide recruitment effort to expand the range of qualified voices and perspectives on its advisory committees— the independent bodies that inform some of the most consequential decisions in American public health. As part of an effort to broaden and strengthen participation on its advisory committees, the FDA is publishing two Federal Register notices: one seeking qualified scientific, technical, and professional voting members across all committees with current or anticipated vacancies, and a companion notice seeking consumer representatives to ensure the public's voice is at the table...

FDA CBER

What's New for Biologics

- 09/30/2026 [September 29, 2026 Approval Letter - BIVIGAM](#)
- 09/30/2026 [September 29, 2026 Approval Letter - ASCENIV](#)
- 09/29/2026 [SOPP 8001.6: Procedures for Parallel Scientific Advice with European Medicines Agency \(EMA\)](#)
- 09/29/2026 [SOPP 8426: Assignment of Biological and Drug Product Proper Names and Biological Suffixes](#)
- 09/28/2026 [September 25, 2026 Approval Letter - ROTARIX](#)

FDA VRBPAC [Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee]

Advisory Committee Calendar

Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee October 1, 2026 Meeting Announcement - 10/01/2026.

FDA Pediatric Advisory Committee Meeting

Advisory Committee Calendar

No new committee meeting announcements identified.

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 [last updated August 7, 2024]

ACIP

2026 Meetings Schedule *[as posted]*

- March 18-19 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- June 24-26 (Due to ongoing litigation, this meeting is cancelled)
- October 21-23

National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC)

<https://www.hhs.gov/programs/national-vaccine-program/nvac/index.html>

Upcoming Meetings/Latest Updates

No new meeting dates posted.

Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV)
<https://www.hrsa.gov/advisory-committees/vaccines/meetings>
Next ACCV meetings – TBD

MMWR Weekly
<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2026.html>
October 1, 2026 / No. 38
[PDF of this issue](#)

:: [Unannounced Drills Using Patient Actors to Evaluate Health Care Facility Readiness for Infectious Disease Outbreaks — New Jersey, New York, and U.S. Virgin Islands, January–June 2026](#)
:: [Notes from the Field: Fatal Pneumonic Plague — Coconino County, Arizona, July 2025](#)

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National Science Foundation/NSF
News
No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Congress
House
No new digest content identified.

Senate
No new digest content identified.

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Supreme Court, Federal & Appellate Courts

O'Neill Institute – Health Care Litigation Tracker [Georgetown University]
<https://litigationtracker.law.georgetown.edu/>
No new digest content identified.

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U.S. Medical, Scientific, Professional Societies; Health Organizations
This inventory is evolving and may not capture all instances of relevant comment and analysis.

American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
<https://www.aafp.org/news/media-center.html>
(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)
No new digest content identified.

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
<https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases-from-the-aap/>
(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)
News

No new digest content identified.

American College of Physicians (ACP)

<https://www.acponline.org/more-acp-news>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

No new digest content identified.

America's Health Insurance Plans (AHIP)

<https://www.ahip.org/news>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

American Geriatrics Society (AGS)

<https://www.americangeriatrics.org/media-center>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

Recent Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Medical Association (AMA)

<https://www.ama-assn.org/press-center>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

American Osteopathic Association (AOA)

<https://osteopathic.org/news/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

American Public Health Association (APHA)

[https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-](https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc)

[releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc](https://www.apha.org/news-and-media/news-releases?sortFieldName=ItemDate&sortDisplayName=Newest&sortMode=desc)

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

No new digest content identified

Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)

<https://www.idsociety.org/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

News

[**IDSA Guidelines on the Treatment and Management of Patients with COVID-19**](#)

September 23, 2026

Antivirals for Mild to Moderate COVID-19 in Infants, Children, and Adolescents: A focused update to the guideline has been released on the use of nirmatrelvir/ritonavir in adolescents and remdesivir in infants, children, and adolescents.

Keep politics out of medical research

Last Updated September 21, 2026

Reports of the Administration's plan to create an external committee to make funding decisions regarding investments in medical research grants by the National Institutes of Health are alarming. Decisions regarding the tens of billions of federal dollars invested in medical research belong in the hands of scientific experts who can evaluate the most pressing patient and public health needs and the merit of the grant request.

External committee review risks further delays and destabilization of the NIH grant process, which has already seen persistent problems during the current Administration. In addition, this step is contradictory to the spirit of the bipartisan continuing resolution, which for now prohibits the Administration from implementing sweeping changes to federal grant review.

Politicizing a process that is intended to improve the lives of all Americans and protect our nation's public health will have far reaching consequences for the health and security of our nation. We urge the Administration to reconsider the proposal and call on Congress to prevent politics from impeding medical progress by ensuring NIH funding is spent as intended for the benefit of all Americans.

— Ronald G. Nahass, MD, MHCM, FIDSA – President, IDSA

— Anna K. Person, MD, FIDSA – Chair, HIVMA

National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)

<https://www.nfid.org/news-updates/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

News and Updates

NFID Launches Tame It to Help Turn Vaccine Support Into Action

September 28, 2026

US adults support vaccines but don't know which ones are recommended for them, according to a new survey by the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) released at the 2026 Annual Respiratory Season Kick-Off on September 24, 2026. As respiratory season gets underway, NFID and partners announced the launch of the National Respiratory Communications Initiative (NRCI) to help turn support for vaccination into action. NRCI and its flagship website, TameIt.org(opens in new tab), aim to make evidence-based guidance easy to find, understand, and use...

TameIt.org(opens in new tab) brings together evidence-based vaccination recommendations(opens in new tab) for every stage of life from the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), and the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA). The website also includes rigorously reviewed materials, including one pagers, content for social media, and other resources that partners can "pick up, put their own name on, and share with their communities," Alvania said...

National Medical Association (NMA)

<https://nmanet.org/blog/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

Latest News

No new digest content identified.

Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society (PIDS)

<https://pids.org/news-announcements/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

News & Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)

<https://shea-online.org/news/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

APIC and SHEA Statement on Reported Erosion of CDC Capacity

September 29, 2026

ARLINGTON, Va. — The Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology (APIC) and the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA) issued the following statement in response to The New York Times report on staffing losses and operational strain at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

Every day, infection preventionists and healthcare epidemiologists in hospitals, nursing homes, and outpatient clinics rely on the CDC's science, surveillance, and guidance to keep patients and healthcare personnel safe. The reporting that the agency has lost nearly a third of its workforce, including experienced scientists in its emerging infectious disease and respiratory disease centers, confirms what our members have been experiencing on the front lines. Guidance is slower to arrive, technical assistance is harder to reach, and scientific expertise is thinner at a time when it is most needed.

The timing could not be more concerning. Healthcare facilities are entering respiratory virus season without updated federal vaccine recommendations. At the same time, they are preparing for measles exposures and monitoring imported threats such as Ebola. Infection prevention does not work without a strong, credible national partner. When that partner is weakened, the burden shifts to already stretched facilities and to state and local health departments. Ultimately, patients and communities bear the consequences.

"Infection preventionists safeguard our nation's healthcare system against healthcare-associated infections, and we depend on the CDC to arm us with timely, evidence-based guidance," said APIC President, Kathy Ward RN, BSN, MPH, FAPIC, CIC. "The losses described in this report put that partnership, and patient safety, at risk."

"Healthcare epidemiology is built on sound science and trusted data," said Lisa Maragakis, MD, MPH, FIDSA, FSHEA, President, SHEA. "The CDC's scientific independence and expert workforce are national assets that cannot be rebuilt overnight once they are lost."

APIC and SHEA urge Congress and the Administration to take three key steps:

1. Restore and sustain CDC staffing in infectious disease, healthcare quality promotion, and laboratory programs.
2. Protect the agency's scientific independence.
3. Ensure that funds appropriated for state and local public health partners are distributed promptly.

Society for Maternal-Fetal Medicine (SMFM)

<https://www.smfm.org/>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

News

No new digest content identified.

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Civil Society – Individuals, Organizations, Institutions [Selected]

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Kaiser Family Foundation/KFF [03 Oct 2026]

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

How Is The Federal Government Counting Measles Deaths?

Oct 1, 2026 *Policy Watch*

Recently Secretary of HHS Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., changed how the federal government tracks deaths in its official measles tally, after Pennsylvania reported four deaths. This Policy Watch reviews the two roles, strengths, and weaknesses of the two public health surveillance systems at the center of this change: the Nationally Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System (NNDSS) and the National Vital Statistics System (NVSS).

Global COVID-19 Tracker

Sep 29, 2026 *Tracker*

This tracker provides data on global COVID-19 cases and deaths by country, region, and income-level. Additionally, the tracker reports current closure, economic, and health system policy responses to the COVID-19 pandemic globally. This tracker will be updated as new data are available.

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Vaccine Integrity Project – CIDRAP [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.cidrap.umn.edu/vaccine-integrity-project>

Announcements, Viewpoints

No new digest content identified.

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Center for Vaccine Ethics & Policy - GE2P2 Global Foundation [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/>

No new digest content identified.

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Paul Offit, MD – *Beyond the Noise*

Substack: <https://pauloffit.substack.com/>

The “S” Word

Under Robert F. Kennedy Jr.’s leadership, public health officials are hesitant to say that the MMR vaccine is safe.

Sep 28, 2026

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Organization Announcements

Paul G. Allen Frontiers Group [03 Oct 2026]

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

News

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Gates Foundation [03 Oct 2026]

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

Press Releases & Statements

No new digest content identified.

CARB-X [03 Oct 2026]

<https://carb-x.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Chan Zuckerberg Initiative [03 Oct 2026]

<https://chanzuckerberg.com/newsroom/>

Newsroom

No new digest content identified.

CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations [03 Oct 2026]

<http://cepi.net/>

News

[UK rabies vaccine trial could also unlock protection against Disease X](#)

The CEPI-funded study, RAB-Vac, is led in collaboration between Imperial College London and Chelsea and Westminster Hospital NHS Foundation Trust.

28 Sept 2026

CIOMS – COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS OF MEDICAL SCIENCES [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://cioms.ch/>

News; Publications; Events

[Reciprocal Effects of Drugs & the Microbiome – 2nd webinar](#)

Online - October 7, 2026 Webinar Time: 14:00 – 15:30 (UTC+2, CEST)

[CIOMS September 2026 newsletter](#)

The CIOMS September 2026 newsletter is available [here](#).

DARPA – Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency [U.S.] [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.darpa.mil/news>

News

No new digest content identified.

DNDI – Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative [03 Oct 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Duke Global Health Innovation Center [03 Oct 2026]

<https://dukeghic.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

EDCTP [03 Oct 2026]

<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

01 October 2026

[**EpiScintia Network secures grant to strengthen National Public Health Institutes capacity building for infectious disease surveillance intelligence across Africa**](#)

Emory Vaccine Center [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.vaccines.emory.edu/>

Vaccine Center News

No new digest content identified.

European Vaccine Initiative [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.euvaccine.eu/>

News

No new digest content identified.

Fondation Merieux [03 Oct 2026]

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

Actualités

No new digest content identified.

Gates Medical Research Institute [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.gatesmri.org/news>

News: Articles and Publications

[**Symptom-agnostic endpoints in TB vaccine efficacy trials**](#)

October 1, 2026 *The Lancet Global Health*

Gavi [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.gavi.org/>

News Releases, VaccinesWork {Selected}

30 September 2026

Made in Africa: New measles rapid diagnostic tests mark breakthrough for vaccination efforts

:: First-of-their-kind rapid measles diagnostic tests will support targeted vaccination during outbreaks and identification of priorities for preventive vaccination efforts.

:: Deployment of tests, financed by Gavi and manufactured by DIATROPIX in Senegal, represents an important milestone for African manufacturing.

GE2P2 Global Foundation [03 Oct 2026]

www.ge2p2.org

News/Analysis/Publications-Digests/Statements/Digests

:: **The Sentinel – Health :: Human Rights :: Humanitarian Action :: Peace :: Heritage/Literacy/Education :: Climate :: Sustainable Development** - Current edition

GHIT Fund [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.ghitfund.org/newsroom/press>

Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Fund [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

News Releases

No new digest content identified.

Global Research Collaboration for Infectious Disease Preparedness [GloPID-R] [03 Oct 2026]

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

News & Event

No new digest content identified.

Hilleman Laboratories [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.hilleman-labs.org/>

News & Insights

No new digest content identified.

HHMI - Howard Hughes Medical Institute [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.hhmi.org/news>

News & Stories

No new digest content identified.

Human Immunome Project [nee Human Vaccines Project] [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.humanimmunomeproject.org/>

News

No new digest content identified.

IAVI [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.iavi.org/>

Press Releases, Features

No new digest content identified.

INSERM [03 Oct 2026]

<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

[Announcement of the new Executive Committee \(EC\) members \(October 2026\)](#)

[ICMRA statement on 3Rs \(October 2026\)](#)

This statement reflects the shared perspective of ICMRA members, highlights work already underway internationally and supports the continued movement toward the regulatory acceptance of non-animal-based methods or approaches for regulatory testing of human medicines. The key purpose of the document is to encourage the development and implementation of scientifically valid alternative methods where possible, in a manner that is globally consistent...

ICH [International Council for Harmonisation of Technical Requirements for Pharmaceuticals for Human Use] [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

News/Pubs/Press Releases [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

ICRC [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

Latest press releases and statements

[Statement at the UN General Assembly's Third Committee General Debate](#)

Statement

02-10-2026

[ICRC-IFRC joint statement on the occasion of the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons](#)

Statement

30-09-20

[West Bank: ICRC calls for urgent protection of civilian population](#)

News release

29-09-2026

IFFIm [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.iffim.org/>

Press Releases/Announcements

Three new Board members join IFFIm as it marks 20 years

01 Oct 2026

Philip Brown, Alex Friedman and Sungsup Ra join the IFFIm Board, bringing experience from across capital markets, investment, impact measurement and development finance as the organisation considers what its proven financing model needs for the years ahead.

IFRC [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

Press releases

No new digest content identified

IPPS - International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat [03 Oct 2026]

<https://ippsecretariat.org/news/>

News

Transition of the Emergency Response Framework to the WHO Secretariat of the interim Medical Countermeasures Network

September 30, 2026

We are pleased to announce that the 100 Days Mission Emergency Response Framework's (ERF) medical countermeasure (MCM) tracking function will begin a phased transition from the International Pandemic Preparedness Secretariat's (IPPS) to the World Health Organization (WHO) Secretariat of interim Medical Countermeasures Network (i-MCM-Net) in the WHO Health Emergencies Programme, Department of Epidemic and Pandemic Management.

This transition is taking place to ensure continuity of the tracking function as the IPPS mandate, established as a time-limited entity to support delivery of the 100 Days Mission, draws to a close...

Statement by 100 Days Mission partners on the conclusion of the UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response

September 28, 2026

... We note with disappointment that the Political Declaration was not adopted at the High-Level Meeting. We are, however, pleased that the 100 Days Mission was included in the draft Declaration and that there was widespread support for it throughout the week in New York and at the UN HLM itself. We urge all Member States to join together in endorsing this critical commitment to pandemic preparedness.

The case for its inclusion reflects growing international recognition that long-term investments in research and development that integrates equitable access by design central to pandemic preparedness.

Institut Pasteur [03 Oct 2026]

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

Press Documents

No new digest content identified.

InterAcademy Partnership (IAP)

<https://www.interacademies.org/news/press-releases>

News

No new digest content identified.

ISC / International Science Council [to 03 Oct 2026]

<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, Blogs

No new digest content identified.

International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)

<https://iuis.org/>

News, Resources

No new digest content identified.

IVAC [03 Oct 2026]

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

Updates; Events

No new digest content identified.

IVI [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.ivi.int/>

IVI News & Announcements

[Prof. Soo-Jin Jung of Sogang University selected as recipient of the 2nd IVI-KVS Young Scientist Award](#)

Recognized for discovering viral RNA stabilization sequences that could advance next-generation mRNA vaccine platforms

18 September 2026

Johns Hopkins Center for Health Security [03 Oct 2026]

<https://centerforhealthsecurity.org/newsroom>

Center News [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.rwjf.org/en/about-rwjf/newsroom.html>

Latest News and Highlights

No new digest content identified.

MSF/Médecins Sans Frontières [to 03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.msf.org/>

Latest [Selected Announcements]

DRC Ebola outbreaks

[What will it take to end the Ebola disease outbreak in Democratic Republic of Congo?](#)

Project Update 30 Sep 2026

Ethiopia

Renewed fighting in northern Ethiopia as MSF teams scale up medical response to increase in war...

Project Update 28 Sep 2026

Somalia

People and healthcare must be protected amid escalating violence in Baidoa, Somalia

Press Release 28 Sep 2026

National Academy of Medicine - USA [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://nam.edu/programs/>

News, Stories, Insights

Oct 1, 2026 *Insight*

Chronic Disease Affects All of Us. Science Is Rising to the Challenge

National Academies-Sciences-Engineering-Medicine [NASEM] - USA [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.nationalacademies.org/newsroom>

News

Fall Bridge on Engineering a New Era of Human Health

Published: Oct 1, 2026 Volume 56 Issue 3

Engineering is redefining what is possible in human health. This issue of *The Bridge* explores how purposeful convergence across disciplines, underpinned by systems thinking and design, is advancing our ability to understand, preserve, and improve health across the lifespan.

PATH [03 Oct 2026]

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

Newsroom [Selected]

No new digest content identified.

Rockefeller Foundation [to 03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.rockefellerfoundation.org/>

News and Announcements

No new digest content identified.

Sabin Vaccine Institute [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.sabin.org/press/>

Latest News & Press Releases

No new digest content identified.

UNAIDS [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.unaids.org/en>

News, Stories, Updates

Press Release

Feature Story

Stakeholders chart a people-centred path for the future of the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

30 September 2026

Governments, communities, civil society and United Nations partners have called for a transformed Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) that is more integrated, efficient and sustainable, while retaining the leadership, accountability and community partnership needed to end AIDS as a public health threat.

At a two-day multi-stakeholder consultation, participants considered options being developed by the Programme Coordinating Board (PCB) Working Group on the future transition and integration of UNAIDS within the UN system to end AIDS by 2030 and protect the gains beyond...

UNICEF [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

Press releases, news notes and statements [Selected]

News note 02 October 2026

UNICEF Executive Director calls for children to be protected and placed at the heart of Lebanon's recovery

BEIRUT, 2 October 2026, – UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell concluded a visit to Lebanon today, calling for urgent action to protect children from the ongoing impact of conflict and economic crisis and to place their rights and needs at the centre of the country's recovery. Russell visited southern Leban...

Press release 01 October 2026

13 children reportedly killed or injured in drone strike on displacement shelter in Al Obeid, Sudan

NEW YORK/NAIROBI/KHARTOUM, 1 October 2026 –, A drone strike on the Al Mina Al Bari shelter for internally displaced people in Al Obeid, in Sudan's North Kordofan State, late last night reportedly killed one boy and injured 12 children, including five boys and seven girls. "Children and families in Al Mina Al Bari...

Statement 01 October 2026

Statement by UNICEF Regional Director for Eastern and Southern Africa, Eteleva Kadilli, on the impact on children as fighting intensifies in northern Ethiopia

NAIROBI, 1 October 2026 –, "UNICEF is deeply concerned by the escalation of hostilities in northern Ethiopia and the impact on children and their families. "UNICEF is aware of reports of children being injured or killed, and residential areas and public facilities damaged. "UNICEF urges all parties to exercise r...

News note 01 October 2026

UNICEF Executive Director calls for children to be at the heart of Syria's recovery

DAMASCUS/NEW YORK, 1 October 2026 –, UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell was in Syria for a three-day visit, calling for children to be placed at the centre of the country's recovery as families return home. With millions of Syrians returning home, Russell highlighted support for children and families as a...

Press release 30 September 2026

Four in five households in Lebanon struggle to afford basic needs as conflict deepens deprivation for children – UNICEF

BEIRUT, 30 September 2026 –, Four in five households in Lebanon are struggling to afford basic necessities as conflict compounds years of economic crisis, pushing children into hunger, out of education and into work, UNICEF warned today. A new UNICEF report, An Enduring Nightmare, reveals the mounting toll on chil...

News note 29 September 2026

UNICEF Executive Director calls for sustained support for children in Jordan as funding declines

AMMAN/NEW YORK, 29 September 2026 –, UNICEF Executive Director Catherine Russell ended a two-day visit to Jordan today, commending the country's strong progress for children and calling for continued support to sustain this progress amid a declining funding environment. During her visit, Russell spent time with ch...

Unitaid [03 Oct 2026]

<https://unitaid.org/>

News releases

No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Equity Cooperative [nee Initiative] [03 Oct 2026]

<https://vaccineequitycooperative.org/news/>

News

No new digest content identified. [Last update Jun 30, 2023]

Vaccine Confidence Project [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.vaccineconfidence.org/>

News, Research and Reports

No new digest content identified.

Vaccine Education Center – Children's Hospital of Philadelphia [03 Oct 2026]

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

News

Vaccine Update Newsletter September 2026

Wellcome Trust [03 Oct 2026]

<https://wellcome.org/>

News. Opinion, Reports

No new digest announcements identified.

The Wistar Institute [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

Press Releases

September 30, 2026

The Wistar Institute Welcomes Dana Nae Garcia to its Board of Trustees

World Bank [to 03 Oct 2026]

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

News [Selected]

No new digest announcements identified.

WFPHA: World Federation of Public Health Associations [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.wfpha.org/>

Blog, Events

No new digest announcements identified.

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

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

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

World Organisation for Animal Health [WOAH/OIE] [03 Oct 2026]

<https://www.oie.int/>

Latest News

No new digest announcements identified.

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ARM [Alliance for Regenerative Medicine] [03 Oct 2026]

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

Selected Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

BIO [03 Oct 2026]

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

Press Releases

No new digest announcements identified.

DCVMN – Developing Country Vaccine Manufacturers Network [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.dcvmn.org/>

News, Events

No new digest announcements identified.

EFPIA – European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries and Associations

<https://www.efpia.eu/news-events/>

News & Events

No new digest announcements identified.

ICBA – International Council of Biotechnology Associations [03 Oct 2026]

<https://internationalbiotech.org/>

News

No new digest announcements identified.

IFPMA [03 Oct 2026]

<https://ifpma.org/>

News & Resources

Statement 2 Oct 2026

78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas: Briefing session – reforming the global health architecture

On 2 October 2026 in Washington, D.C., IFPMA delivered a statement on reforming the global health architecture as a special briefing session following the 78th Regional Committee for the Americas. IFPMA welcomes this discussion on global health architecture reform and emphasizes the need for an architecture that fosters innovation, strengthens health systems, and forges partnerships...

[Read more](#)

Statement 1 Oct 2026

78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas: Policy on the application of data science in public health using artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies

On 1 October 2026 in Washington, D.C., IFPMA delivered a statement on the policy on the application of data science in public health using artificial intelligence and other emerging technologies at the 63rd Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization and ahead of the 78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas. We commend PAHO...

[Read more](#)

Statement 1 Oct 2026

78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas: Plan of action for cervical cancer prevention and control 2018-2030

On 1 October 2026 in Washington, D.C., IFPMA delivered a statement on the plan of action for cervical cancer prevention and control 2018-2030 at the 63rd Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization and ahead of the 78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas. We welcome the progress achieved by PAHO and countries across...

[Read more](#)

Statement 29 Sep 2026

78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas: Strategy for strengthening health emergency and risk management for health security 2026-2031

On 29 September 2026 in Washington, D.C., IFPMA delivered a statement on the strategy for strengthening health emergency and risk management for health security 2026-2031 at the 63rd Directing Council of the Pan American Health Organization and ahead of the 78th WHO Regional Committee for the Americas. IFPMA welcomes the Strategy for Health Emergency Risk...

[Read more](#)

Statement 26 Sep 2026

Consideration of the Political Declaration on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response (PPPR)

On 25 September 2026, at the conclusion of the UN High-Level Meeting on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness, and Response, IFPMA issued a statement, urging governments to accelerate practical commitments that strengthen preparedness for future health crises.

[Read more](#)

International Alliance of Patients' Organizations – IAPO [03 Oct 2026]

<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

No new digest announcements identified.

PhRMA [03 Oct 2026]

<http://www.phrma.org/>

Press Releases

September 29, 2026

[PhRMA Selects Eric Cantor to Lead Organization as Next President and CEO](#)

Former House Majority Leader and global business executive brings decades of public policy and private-sector experience to lead the industry at a pivotal moment for American medical innovation

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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](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

BioCubaFarma – Cuba

[Últimas Noticias](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Biological E

[News](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

BioNTech

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Boehringer

[Press Releases](#)

[Boehringer Ingelheim investments into sustainability-related programs and health partnerships to reach EUR 500 million](#)

Ingelheim, Germany, Tue, 29/09/2026 - 12:00

:: Company investments from the past five years, together with the forecast for 2026, are projected to reach EUR 500 million by year-end 2026, encompassing all expenditure on sustainability-related projects and health partnerships.

:: As part of this, Boehringer Ingelheim has provided more than EUR 125 million in funding for partnerships to combat emerging infectious diseases, including antimicrobial resistance.

:: Furthermore, the Boehringer Ingelheim Social Engagement Fund has invested in 27 social start-ups to date.

:: Portfolio companies are estimated to exceed the original 2021 ambition of improving the lives of 50 million people by 2030.

CanSinoBIO

[News](#) - Website not responding at inquiry.

CIGB

Latest News - Website not responding at inquiry.

CinnaGen – Iran

CinnaGen News - Website not responding at inquiry.

Clover Biopharmaceuticals – China

News - No new digest announcements identified.

CSL Seqirus

News Releases

[CSL Seqirus Expands U.S. Availability of Influenza Vaccine following Successful Completion of the 2026/27 Manufacturing Campaign](#)

29 Sep 2026

Curevac

News - Website now directs to BioNTech site

Dailchi Sankyo

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Gamaleya National Center/Sputnik

Latest News and Events - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 09 Nov 2020]

<https://sputnikvaccine.com/> - No new digest announcements identified [Last: 31 Aug 2022]

GSK

Press releases for media - No new digest announcements identified.

EuBiologics, S Korea

News - No new digest announcements identified.

HIPRA

Press releases - No new digest announcements identified.

JNJ Innovative Medicine [Janssen]

Press Releases - No new digest announcements identified.

Merck

News releases - No new digest announcements identified

Moderna

News and Blog Posts

September 30, 2026

[Moderna Adds Chief Operating Officer Role as Company Expands into Oncology](#)

Juan Andres to Return to Moderna as Chief Operating Officer

Nanogen

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Novartis

News - No new digest announcements identified.

Novavax

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Pfizer

[Recent Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

R-Pharm

<https://rpharm-us.com/index.php>

[No news or media page identified]

Samsung Biologics

[Latest News](#) - No new digest announcements 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

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

SK Biosciences

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Takeda

[Newsroom](#) - No new digest announcements identified

Valneva

[Press Releases](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

WestVac Biopharma

[Media](#) - No new digest announcements identified.

Zhifei Longcom, China

[Anhui Zhifei Longcom Biologic Pharmacy Co., Ltd.]

[Website](#) [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 17 2026 Issue 3

<https://www.tandfonline.com/toc/uabr21/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Human Genetics

Oct 01, 2026 Volume 113 Issue 10 p2023-2204

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

This month in The Journal

Paul W. Hook, Alyson B. Barnes

Large structural variants (SVs) impact a higher percentage of individual human genomes than SNVs or indels. Despite growing evidence that links them to a variety of phenotypes, SVs have received less attention during investigations into the genetic architecture of diseases, including Alzheimer disease (AD). While some population-based studies have been performed, few individual SVs, or genes repeatedly impacted by SVs, have been robustly identified. In this issue, Quenez et al. set out to expand the catalog of SVs associated with AD risk by using exome sequencing to identify copy-number variants (CNVs) in a large case-control AD cohort.

Perspective

International experiences of genomic newborn screening: Lessons from over 10,800 newborns

Zornitza Stark, et al.

This perspective summarizes early experiences from genomic newborn screening studies, totaling over 10,800 infants from the US, Belgium, and Australia. While these provide data on technical feasibility and likely volumes of screen-positive results, many important questions around scalability, equity, long-term outcomes, and cost-effectiveness remain to be answered.

American Journal of Infection Control

October 2026 Volume 54 Issue 10 p1045-1142

<http://www.ajicjournal.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Preventive Medicine

September 2026 Volume 71 Issue 3

<https://www.ajpmonline.org/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Public Health

October 2026 116(10)

<http://ajph.aphapublications.org/toc/ajph/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene

Volume 115 (2026): Issue 3 (Sep 2026)

<https://www.ajtmh.org/view/journals/tpmd/115/2/tpmd.115.issue-3.xml>

Perspective

[Building Research Leadership for Global Health Impact](#)

Anna Kalbarczyk, et al.

Articles

[Typhoid Fever Surveillance and Vaccination Recommendations: WHO Eastern Mediterranean Region, 2021](#)

Yesser Sebeh, et al.

Annals of Internal Medicine

September 2026 Volume 179, Issue 9

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

[New issue; No relevant content identified]

Artificial Intelligence – An International Journal

Volume 358 September 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/artificial-intelligence/vol/358/suppl/C>

[Reviewed earlier]

BMC Cost Effectiveness and Resource Allocation

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

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[Public health and economic impact of transitioning to a 20-valent pneumococcal vaccine in Kazakhstan's pediatric national immunization program](#)

Thea Paoula Nassar, Kamila Tuyakbayeva, Liping Huang

Research Open access 01 October 2026

BMC Health Services Research

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

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[Low compliance rate to hepatitis B vaccination and post-vaccination guidelines amidst high incidence of needlestick injuries among healthcare workers in Ashanti region, Ghana: a cross-sectional study](#)

Michael Agyemang Obeng, Daniel Kobina Okwan, De-Graft Kwaku Ofori Boateng

Research Open access 23 September 2026

BMC Infectious Diseases

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

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[**Full immunization coverage, timeliness and dropout rates among children aged 12–59 months: a community-based cross-sectional study in a rural subnational district in Nigeria**](#)

Vivien Mesembe Out, Akinwumi Oladapo Fajola, Emmanuel Eyo Ekanem

Research Open access 02 October 2026

[**Compliance with influenza vaccination recommendations among outpatients with chronic diseases in China in 2022**](#)

Hui Xu, Qian Hou, Lixin Hao

Research Open access 30 September 2026

BMC Medical Ethics

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

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Medicine

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcmed/content>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Pregnancy and Childbirth

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcpregnancychildbirth/content>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMC Public Health

<http://bmcpublichealth.biomedcentral.com/articles>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[**Navigating vaccine beliefs: a qualitative pilot study of general vaccine attitudes and HPV awareness among Tongan adults**](#)

Acelan M Obray, Ty J Skyles, M. Lelinneth B. Novilla

Research Open access 01 October 2026

BMC Research Notes

<http://www.biomedcentral.com/bmcresnotes/content>

(Accessed 03 Oct 2026)

[No new digest content identified]

BMJ Evidence-Based Medicine

October 2026 - Volume 31 - 5

<https://ebm.bmj.com/content/31/5>

Original research

Exploring the application of GRADE in formulating WHO public health guidelines: a scoping evidence review (20 January, 2026)

Xiuxia Li, Tao Nian, Wendi Liu, Xue Shang, Xinxin Deng, Kangle Guo, Nan Chen, Yan Wang, Yaolong Chen, Kehu Yang

BMJ Global Health

September 2026 - Volume 11 - 9

<https://gh.bmj.com/content/11/9>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the Atomic Scientists

DIGITAL MAGAZINE - July 2026

<https://thebulletin.org/magazine/2026-05/>

[Reviewed earlier]

Bulletin of the World Health Organization

Volume 104, Number 9, September 2026, 585-

<https://www.who.int/publications/journals/bulletin>
Articles

[Reviewed earlier]

Cell

Sep 17, 2026 Volume 189 Issue 19 p5825-6208

<https://www.cell.com/cell/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Cell and Gene Therapy Insights

September 2026 Issue Volume 12 Issue 8

<https://www.insights.bio/cell-and-gene-therapy-insights/journal/283/volume-12-issue-8>

[New issue; No digest content identified]

Child Care, Health and Development

Volume 52, Issue 5 September 2026

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/toc/13652214/current>

[Reviewed earlier]

Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics

Volume 120, Issue 4 Pages: 817-1148 October 2026

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Editorial

[On the ethical framework for clinical trials](#)

Colin B. Begg

This issue of the journal features two articles focusing on the ethical framework for clinical trials in the context of the evolving landscape of new study designs. Both are accompanied by commentaries. In the first of these, Heynemann et al.¹ examine the relevance of equipoise as the fundamental concept supporting the ethical conduct of clinical trials. This article is critiqued by Jonathan Kimmelman.² In the second article, a large group of clinical trial experts report on a conference that took place in Cambridge in 2025, focused on the role of ethics in determining the relative appropriateness of adaptive versus fixed designs for clinical trials.³ Commentaries on this article are provided by Stephen Senn⁴ and Janet Wittes.⁵ Both articles are motivated by the substantive changes in clinical trial design that have become commonplace in recent years...

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[From ISO 9001:2015 to ISO 20387:2018: a proposed implementation roadmap for biobanks](#)

Michael Zuniga, et a.

Introduction: Biobanks play an important role in biomedical research because of the availability of vast quantities of high-quality biological specimens and related data. However, biobank-specific standards such as ISO 20387:2018 have been infrequently implemented. This study aimed to develop a practical implementation roadmap to assist ISO 9001:2015-certified biobanks in adopting ISO 20387:2018.

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Eleanor Beth Whyte and others

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[**Can wealth redistribution offset the collapse of aid?**](#)

Karar Zunaid Ahsan

Articles

[**Wealth redistribution policies to mitigate the impact of development assistance defunding: a retrospective evaluation and forecasting analysis up to 2030**](#)

Gonzalo Barreix Sibils, et al.

Open Access

The ongoing decline in funding for humanitarian and development assistance stands in stark contrast to the global rise in wealth concentration and widening socioeconomic inequalities. This study aimed to assess whether the implementation of wealth redistribution policies—proposed in recent high-level international agreements to support development—could mitigate the health impact of the current official development assistance (ODA) defunding crisis.

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Omid Dadras, Muhammad Haroon Stanikzai, Massoma Jafari

02 September 2026 Pages: 1205 - 1217

Childhood immunization coverage remains low in Afghanistan, but evidence is limited regarding completion of the broader national immunization schedule beyond the first year of life. This study estimated full-schedule immunization coverage and examined factors associated with its completion among Afghan children aged 24–35 months.

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[AI-powered medical devices must be tested in real-world settings](#)

Tools that inform clinical decision-making require rigorous assessments equivalent to processes used to approve drugs and self-driving cars.

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[The growing concentration of national influence in global science](#)

This analysis of nearly 240 million scientific papers reveals growing concentration of discursive influence in core, resource-wealthy countries, indicating that a few nations shape global research agendas.

Charles J. Gomez

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[Stochastic models indicate rapid smallpox spread and mass mortality of Indigenous Australians after colonial exposure](#)

Nitschke and colleagues use historical data and epidemiological modelling to examine evidence for the 1789 smallpox epidemic in Australia. Their results indicate a likely southeastern origin, high mortality and limited spread.

Matthew C. Nitschke, Alan N. Williams, Corey J. A. Bradshaw

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Gold Standard Science and Biomedical Research — Principles, Governance, and Scientific Independence

H.V. Fineberg

Abstract

Though aspects of the U.S. Gold Standard Science initiative reflect valid standards, methodologic standards must be applied without selective use, political distortion, or erosion of scientific independence.

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Volume 5 No. 9 September 2026
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Reclaiming the new era in global health: A proposal for an equity-centered paradigm

Pooja Yerramilli, Mickey Chopra

Essay | published 01 Oct 2026 PLOS Global Public Health

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Abstract

Global health is facing unprecedented upheaval, with significant donor disruptions requiring a reconfiguration of the global health landscape. While recently proposed frameworks for the next phase of global health represent meaningful progress in grappling with this context, their central weakness is not technical but normative. In this Essay, we argue that if the new global health architecture is defined without meaningful interrogation of its central purpose, then the system will reproduce the very problems it aims to solve. On the other hand, explicitly centering health equity as the organizing principle of the new “global health” brings to the foreground the shared struggles and movements of marginalized communities worldwide. In doing so, it demands a more fundamental, global reckoning with the structural determinants – politics and power - that produce ill health across and within countries. From this logic flows substantive shifts in global health functions, predicated on a social-ecological model: from substitution to mutual aid; from technical assistance to knowledge sharing; from global public goods to multisectoral common goods for all; and from mechanisms that facilitate global coordination to ones that also critically address the distribution of power and resources.

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Huaxian Liu, Zhongkui Zhu, Yuanbao Liu, Jintao Wang, Yunke Qian, Yang Yu, Lu Shen, Yan Xie, Wanqin Tang

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Keep AI-augmented science contestable

BY Christoph Trattner 01 Oct 2026

Artificial intelligence (AI) is moving upstream in science. Systems such as AlphaFold have already transformed protein-structure prediction, while newer agentic systems can search literatures, generate hypotheses, write and execute code, interpret results, and automate much of the path from idea to paper. Recent debates have asked how such systems may change scientific progress, surprise, and human understanding. Yet they also change something more fundamental: who—or what—participates in deciding which questions are asked, which evidence is surfaced, and which alternatives survive. As machine intelligence becomes part of science's epistemic infrastructure, steps must be taken to ensure that researchers who did not build, own, or operate the system can still contest how ideas and evidence became a claim...

Science and Engineering Ethics

Volume 32, Issue 5 October 2026

<https://link.springer.com/journal/11948/volumes-and-issues/32-5>

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Science Translational Medicine

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Scientific Reports

<https://www.nature.com/srep/articles?type=article>

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Systematic Reviews

<https://systematicreviewsjournal.biomedcentral.com/articles>

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Vaccine

Volume 92 24 October 2026

<https://www.sciencedirect.com/journal/vaccine/vol/92/suppl/C>

Discussion No access

[Integrating life-course immunization within harm-reduction outreach for key populations in India: Operationalizing the YUVA framework](#)

Laxit K. Bhatt

Article 129112

Discussion No access

[Vaccine mis- and disinformation and the illusion of autonomy](#)

Kari Pahlman, Diego S. Silva

Article 129103

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[The case for model-informed vaccine development](#)

Jane P.F. Bai, Fatemeh Beigmohammadi, Morgan Craig, Mackenzie Dalton, ... Amber M. Smith

Article 128780

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[Digital twins and explainable AI across the vaccine life cycle: from mRNA manufacturing to thermostability, cold-chain logistics, and immunisation services](#)

Okechukwu Paul-Chima Ugwu, Michael Ben Okon, Fabian C. Ogenyi, Jovita Nnenna Ugwu, Chinyere N. Ugwu

Article 129131

Research article Open access

[Determinants associated with lower HPV vaccination uptake in the school-based program for girls – A follow-up of the Swedish National Immunization Program, 2013–2023](#)

Emma Appelqvist, Emma Löf, Sharon Kühlmann-Berenzon, Alexander Ploner, ... Adam Roth

Article 129083

Vaccines

<https://www.mdpi.com/journal/vaccines>

[Accessed 03 Oct 2026]

Article

Effectiveness of the 23-Valent Pneumococcal Polysaccharide Vaccine in Reducing Mortality Among Older Adults: A Real-World Retrospective Cohort Study in Guangzhou, China

Yan Kang, et al.

Vaccines 2026, 14(10), 877; <https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines14100877>

1 October 2026

Objectives: To evaluate the real-world effectiveness of the 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (PPSV23) in reducing all-cause, pneumonia-related, and chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)-related mortality in adults aged ≥ 60 year...

Article

International School-Based HPV Vaccination Programmes: A Comparative Analysis and Recommendations for Adaptation to the French Context

Sarah Soupey and Laure Hermet

Vaccines 2026, 14(10), 873; <https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines14100873>

1 October 2026

Background/Objectives: School-based vaccination is a major strategy for improving human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination coverage, but implementation varies across countries. This study aimed to identify common organisational components of internatio...

Review

Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Policies for Poultry Workers in 33 Pan American Health Organization Member States in 2026: A Review

José Luis Montes, et al.

Vaccines 2026, 14(10), 871; <https://doi.org/10.3390/vaccines14100871>

30 September 2026

Background/Objective: Since 2004, seasonal influenza vaccination has been technically recommended for poultry workers as a public health measure to reduce the risk of co-infection with human and avian influenza viruses and the potential emergence of...

Value in Health

September 2026 Volume 29 Issue 9 p1539-1748

<https://www.valueinhealthjournal.com/current>

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arXiv

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From Knowledge to Legitimacy: A Philosophical Problem Discovery of AI Implementation Readiness in Public Health Disease Surveillance

Tithi Mitra, Souvik Pramanik, Most. Aysha Siddika Sumona, Ahmed Faizul Haque Dhrubo, Farhana Sharmin, Mohammad Abdul Qayum

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An AI-powered cloud biofoundry for autonomous biological research

Junyu Chen, Michael Volk, Saman Shafaei, Shih-I Tan, Vikas Upadhyay, Nilmani Singh, Xianrui Zhong, Katherine Arneson, Wenqi He, Chen Wang, Jingxia Lu, Aurosish Sharma, John McLaughlin, Matthew Berry, Steven Harmon, Sophia Reyes, George Heintz, Huimin Zhao

bioRxiv 2026.09.30.750244; doi: <https://doi.org/10.64898/2026.09.30.750244>

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Investigating laboratory capacity and whole genome sequencing practices to inform standardised protocols for bacterial genomic surveillance in Africa.

Chanté Fortuin, Larisse Bolton, Angela Dramowski, Ebenezer Foster-Nyarko, Kathryn Elizabeth Holt, Mae Newton-Foot, Charlene Rodrigues, Andrew Whitelaw

medRxiv 2026.09.24.26363966; doi: <https://doi.org/10.64898/2026.09.24.26363966>

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Wellcome Open Research

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Study ProtocolOpen Access

[A phase IV parallel-group, open-label, randomized non-inferiority trial evaluating immunogenicity of extended dosing intervals for Euvichol-S oral cholera vaccine in Nairobi, Kenya: study protocol for a randomized non-inferiority trial](#)

[version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]

Eric Osoro, et al.

Abstract

Background

Global shortages of oral cholera vaccine have led to widespread use of single-dose vaccination. Although this approach increases immediate population coverage, protection may be less durable and effectiveness is lower in young children. Evidence remains limited on whether extending the interval before the second dose of Euvichol-S preserves the immune response achieved with the recommended two-week schedule.

Zenodo

<https://zenodo.org/>

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[Across the Globe, People Increasingly Say Social Media Is Harming Democracy](#)

Most think social media leads to manipulation and division, but they also say it informs people and gives them a voice in politics.

Rand [to 03 Oct 2026]

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Expert Insights Oct 1, 2026

Policy Analysis in an Age of Technological and Social Transition: Four Futures and an Agenda for the Field

In this watershed moment for policy analysis driven by AI, which has eroded trust in experts and institutions, the field must revisit first principles and use them to guide institutional redesign, policy analysis training, and research governance.

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Public Consultations/Calls for Inputs/Calls for Papers

WMA - Declaration of Taipei Revision Launched [Ongoing]

...The Declaration of Taipei tries to achieve a balance between the rights of individuals giving their tissue or data for research and other purposes based on confidentiality and privacy rules while at the same time recognising that health data has become a very powerful tool for increasing knowledge.

In analysing the scenarios that already exist for the use (and misuse) of health data and biobanks, we came to the conclusion that the major risk scenarios may not result from science, but from the commercial, administrative or political use of such data. Limiting our guidelines to research only would have left us blind to the imminent risk of abuse from outside the field of medicine: commercialization, cost-cutting and potential political abuse.

Therefore, in contrast to the Declaration of Helsinki, this policy aims to address any use of health databases and biobanks excluding individual treatment and is not restricted to research. As physicians are the primary custodians of confidential health information, they feel an obligation towards their patients and other persons who entrust them with their data and specimens...

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