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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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G20 Health Ministers’ Meeting - Outcome Document & Chair’s Summary
Gandhinagar, India
18th-19th August 2023
[Initial clauses; text bolding from original; Editor’s formatting for readability]

[1] We, the G20 Health Ministers, met in Gandhinagar, Gujarat, India on August 18th - 19th 2023 to discuss major global health priorities & challenges and to reaffirm our commitment to continue strengthening the Global Health Architecture.

[2] Building on the lessons from COVID 19 pandemic, we arrived at a consensus to build more resilient, equitable, sustainable and inclusive health systems equipped to address ongoing global health challenges and future public health emergencies with equitable access to safe, effective, quality-assured and affordable vaccines, therapeutics, diagnostics, and other medical countermeasures, especially in Low-and Middle-income Countries (LMICs) and Small Island Developing States (SIDs).

There is a need to strengthen and develop resilient and sustainable medical research & development, local and regional manufacturing capacities, supply chain ecosystem, health workforce, and the integration of interoperable digital health solutions in the health systems especially at the primary health care level.

We reaffirm the importance of strengthening national health systems by putting people at the centre of preparedness and equip them to respond effectively. We also recognize the importance of mainstreaming a gender perspective when designing health systems, considering the specific needs of women and girls, with a view to achieving gender equality in health systems. This would facilitate achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC), with an aim to strengthen primary health care and improve essential health services and health systems to better than pre-pandemic levels, ideally within the next two to three years, and the health-related targets of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and its Goals as well as the UHC Action Agenda.

We also recognize the need for improving our understanding of long-COVID, its consequences on individual, social and economic levels as well as on post-COVID-related health services, and note the importance of surveillance and research into long-COVID.

We affirm that the need of the hour is to converge, consolidate, and create a healthier future and the importance of strengthening national health systems including through effective community involvement and the underlying principle of “Leave No One Behind” and considering vulnerable populations living in crises affected settings...

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Featured Journal Content
Ethics & International Affairs
Volume 37 - Issue 2 - Summer 2023
https://www.cambridge.org/core/journals/ethics-and-international-affairs/latest-issue

Feature
Multilateralism and the Global Co-Responsibility of Care in Times of a Pandemic: The Legal Duty to Cooperate
Thana C. de Campos-Rudinsky
Published online by Cambridge University Press: 29 August 2023, pp. 206-231

Abstract
This article challenges the orthodox view of international law, according to which states have no legal duty to cooperate. It argues for this legal duty in the context of COVID-19, based on the ethical principles of solidarity, stewardship, and subsidiarity. More specifically, the article argues that states have a legal duty to cooperate during a pandemic (as solidarity requires); and while this duty entails an extraterritorial responsibility to care for and assist other nations (as stewardship requires), the legal duty to cooperate still allows states to attend first to the basic needs of those under their own jurisdiction—namely, fellow nationals and residents (as subsidiarity requires).

The article provides a definition and philosophical justifications for this legal duty that are lacking in the literature by examining its application to a current COVID-19 controversy: namely, states’ responsibility to assist other countries in greater need by, inter alia, exporting at a discount or donating scarce COVID-19 treatments (including vaccines). In providing a principled tripartite account of pandemic governance, this conceptual and normative article offers a new lens for debating the potential international treaty for pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response that has now been drafted and is under negotiation at the World Health Assembly, by responding to the recent backlash against multilateralism by substantiating global co-responsibilities in times of pandemics and beyond.

Featured Journal Content
Nature Human Behaviour
Volume 7 Issue 8, August 2023
https://www.nature.com/nathumbehav/volumes/7/issues/8

Resource Open Access 06 Jul 2023
A panel dataset of COVID-19 vaccination policies in 185 countries
Emily Cameron-Blake, et al.

Abstract
We present a panel dataset of COVID-19 vaccine policies, with data from 01 January 2020 for 185 countries and a number of subnational jurisdictions, reporting on vaccination prioritization plans, eligibility and availability, cost to the individual and mandatory vaccination policies. For each of these indicators, we recorded who is targeted by a policy using 52 standardized categories. These indicators document a detailed picture of the unprecedented scale of international COVID-19 vaccination rollout and strategy, indicating which countries prioritized and vaccinated which groups, when and in what order.

We highlight key descriptive findings from these data to demonstrate uses for the data and to encourage researchers and policymakers in future research and vaccination planning. Numerous patterns and trends begin to emerge. For example: ‘eliminator’ countries (those that aimed to prevent
virus entry into the country and community transmission) tended to prioritize border workers and
economic sectors, while ‘mitigator’ countries (those that aimed to reduce the impact of community
transmission) tended to prioritize the elderly and healthcare sectors for the first COVID-19
vaccinations; high-income countries published prioritization plans and began vaccinations earlier than
low- and middle-income countries.

Fifty-five countries were found to have implemented at least one policy of mandatory vaccination. We
also demonstrate the value of combining this data with vaccination uptake rates, vaccine supply
and demand data, and with further COVID-19 epidemiological data.

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**Featured Journal Content**

**Global Health: Science and Practice (GHSP)**

Vol. 11, No. 4  August 28, 2023
http://www.ghspjournal.org/content/current

Open Access

**Evaluating Country Performance After Transitioning From Gavi Assistance: An Applied Synthetic Control Analysis**

Robert John Kolesar, Rok Spruk and Tsheten Tsheten

**Key Findings**

- Despite context-specific differences in vaccination coverage among countries after transitioning
  from Gavi assistance, most countries successfully maintained or further improved key outcomes
  compared to their expected performance.
- Unstable or decreasing vaccination coverage before becoming fully self-financing may be
  considered risk indicators, particularly among countries facing governance challenges.
- Annual fluctuations in vaccination coverage may have a limited impact on the overall trajectory of
  post-neonatal mortality when the rate is relatively low.

**Key Implications**

- Synthetic control, a quasi-experimental method, can be used to evaluate large-scale global health
  program transitions. The results can inform approaches to safeguard and further gains achieved
  with external financial assistance, thereby maximizing the potential for success.
- International donors should assess contextual externalities and risks to potentially slow down the
  process of transitioning countries from assistance when needed.
- Country actors can leverage mechanisms for post-transition technical assistance and accountability
  and provide guidance to transitioning countries.
- Gavi can systematize post-transition assessments and evaluations that engage the expertise and
  experience of countries that no longer receive its support.

**ABSTRACT**

Introduction:
Over the past decade, international development assistance for health has slowed. As donors seek to
increase domestic co-financing and ultimately transition countries from donor aid dependence, COVID-
19 has severely constrained public budgets. The evaluation of sustainability and longer-term impacts of
donor withdrawal is increasingly important. We assess vaccination coverage and post-neonatal mortality to estimate country performance of these outcomes among countries that no longer received assistance from Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance (Gavi) between 2000 and 2018.

Methods:
Using data from all countries receiving Gavi support between 2000 and 2020, we employed a synthetic control method to generate a pre-transition counterfactual with the same characteristics as the observation of interest to predict a future that empirically never existed. The synthetic unit is constructed from the weighted average of other units with good fit to the unit of interest before transition but did not transition.

Results:
We found substantial heterogeneity after transitioning from Gavi assistance. China, Guyana, and Turkmenistan overperformed their expected coverage rates; Albania, Bhutan, China, Guyana, and Turkmenistan maintained coverage over 90%; and Bosnia and Herzegovina and Ukraine reported precipitous drop-offs that fell well below their synthetic controls. We also observed a vaccination coverage decline in 2020 for several countries after transitioning and most synthetic controls, which we attribute to COVID-19-related service disruptions.

Conclusions:
We recommend that Gavi adjust its transition model to systematically assess contextual externalities and risk. In addition, countries that no longer receive Gavi assistance can leverage technical assistance and communities of practice to mutually assist each other and other countries advancing toward transition. This could also foster intra-country accountability after transition. We also recommend that Gavi systematize post-transition assessments and evaluations that leverage the expertise and experience of graduated countries to encourage cross-learning.

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Polio – PHEIC

Polio this week as of 23 August 2023 - GPEI

Headlines
:: The Technical Advisory Group (TAG) on Poliomyelitis eradication in Afghanistan and Pakistan held their 15th meeting in Doha, Qatar this June. The aim of the meeting was to evaluate the progress of polio eradication efforts in Afghanistan and Pakistan over the past six months. The meeting provided a critical opportunity to review progress towards interruption of endemic poliovirus transmission and preparedness for responding to any polio outbreak in each country, cross-border coordination, supplementary immunization activities schedule for the second half of 2023, as well as forthcoming plans and strategies. The report of the meeting is available here.

Summary of new polioviruses this week, cases and positive environmental isolates:
- Pakistan: one WPV1 positive environmental sample
- Chad: four cVDPV2 cases
- DR Congo: six cVDPV1 cases and 16 cVDPV2 cases
- Nigeria: one cVDPV2 positive environmental sample
- Yemen: one cVDPV2 case

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Coronavirus [COVID-19]
https://www.who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019

WHO Weekly Epidemiological and Operational updates
Last update: 30 August 2023

Confirmed cases :: 770 085 713
Confirmed deaths :: 6 956 173
Vaccine doses administered: 13 499 983 736

Weekly epidemiological update on COVID-19 - 1 September 2023
Overview
In the last 28-day period (31 July to 27 August 2023), over 1.4 million new COVID-19 cases and over 1800 deaths were reported to WHO, an increase of 38% and a decrease of 50%, respectively, compared to the previous 28 days. As of 27 August 2023, over 770 million confirmed cases and over 6.9 million deaths have been reported globally. Three WHO regions reported increases in the number of cases, whereas two regions reported decreases. While three WHO regions reported decreases in the number of deaths, the Eastern Mediterranean and the Western Pacific regions reported increases in deaths. In this WEU edition, global figures include all available data from the Region of the Americas since the start of the pandemic up to 6 August 2023 reported through COVID-19 specific channels. However, 28-day comparisons for this Region and its Member States are presented using the integrated respiratory viruses surveillance data reported through FluNet and FluID platforms. Additional updates from this Region can be found in the Influenza and Other Respiratory Virus weekly report.
Currently, reported cases do not accurately represent infection rates due to the reduction in testing and reporting globally. During this 28-day period, 39% (92 of 234) of countries reported at least one case to WHO – a proportion that has been declining since mid-2022.

Please note that this is the last edition of the COVID-19 Weekly Epidemiological Update. Moving forward, as WHO transitions its COVID-19 surveillance from an emergency response to long-term COVID-19 disease prevention, control and management, we will be providing updates every four weeks, with the next edition set to be published on 28 September 2023. Disaggregated data will still be accessible on the WHO COVID-19 dashboard, where the full dataset is available for download. WHO has also recently updated COVID-19 surveillance reporting requirements for Member States, which can be found here.

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Our World in Data
Coronavirus (COVID-19) Vaccinations [Accessed 02 Sep 2023]
:: 70.3% of the world population has received at least one dose of a COVID-19 vaccine.
:: 13.46 billion doses have been administered globally, and 18,118 are now administered each day.
:: 32.6% of people in low-income countries have received at least one dose.

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MPOX
Multi-country outbreak of mpox, External situation report#27 – 14 August 2023

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1 September 2023  Departmental news
One in three men worldwide are infected with genital human papillomavirus

31 August 2023  Departmental news
WHO’s operational handbook on tuberculosis infection prevention and control

29 August 2023  News release
WHO initiative signs new licensing agreements on COVID-19 technologies

28 August 2023  Joint News Release
Botswana National HIV Reference Laboratory designated WHO Collaborating Centre

WHO Regional Offices
Selected Press Releases, Announcements

WHO African Region
:: 31 August 2023  Off-track cervical cancer progress risks 70 000 deaths every year in Africa
:: 30 August 2023  Funding crisis threatens Africa’s fight against neglected tropical diseases
:: 30 August 2023  Health leaders vow to enhance response as Africa marks a year without wild polio detection
:: 29 August 2023  African health ministers mobilize against dangerous threat of antimicrobial resistance

WHO Region of the Americas  PAHO
:: 1 Sep 2023
Zika: A silent virus requiring enhanced surveillance and control
Washington, DC, 1 September 2023 (PAHO) - Despite a global reduction in Zika cases since 2017, the circulation of this mosquito-borne virus has been confirmed in 89 countries around the world. Although incidence levels remain low, sporadic increases have been observed in some countries in recent years. The EPI-WIN webinar: Zika virus: learning...

:: 31 Aug 2023

PAHO Director calls for greater response to health needs of people of African descent

Washington, DC, 31 August 2023 (PAHO) - On the International Day for People of African Descent, the Director of the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO), Dr. Jarbas Barbosa, called for a greater "response to the health needs of those who are systematically left behind". The Americas region is home to approximately 210 million people of African...

:: 30 Aug 2023

Director Statement on the Evaluation Report of PAHO’s Technical Cooperation in the Prevention and Control of NCDs in the Americas

31 August 2023 The prevention and control of Noncommunicable Diseases (NCDs) is a top priority for the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO). As the Director of PAHO, I am pleased to share the independent evaluation report of PAHO’s Technical Cooperation in NCDs Prevention and Control in the Americas. This evaluation reviewed PAHO’s...

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WHO European Region EURO
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WHO Western Pacific Region
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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.

29 August 2023 | Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV) - Saudi Arabia

From 13 September 2022 to 12 August 2023, three laboratory-confirmed cases of Middle East respiratory syndrome coronavirus (MERS-CoV), including two deaths, were reported to WHO by the Ministry of Health of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia (KSA). Close contacts for the three cases were followed up by the Ministry of Health, and no secondary cases were identified. The notification of these cases reiterates the need for global awareness of MERS-CoV as the disease continues to pose a threat in countries where MERS-CoV is circulating in dromedary camels, including those in the Middle East...

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New WHO Publications
https://www.who.int/publications/i
Selected
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Interim recommendations for the use of protein subunit COVID-19 vaccines

31 August 2023

Interim recommendations for the use of inactivated COVID-19 vaccine

31 August 2023

Guidance and tools for conducting a country COVID-19 after action review (AAR)

31 August 2023

Guidance and tools for conducting an early action review (EAR): rapid performance improvement for outbreak...

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WHO operational handbook on tuberculosis: module 1: prevention: infection prevention and control

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SARS-CoV-2 variant risk evaluation, 30 August 2023

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FDA VRBPAC
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ACIP Meetings
Next ACIP Meeting
September 12, 2023
10am – 4:00pm EDT
ACIP meetings are virtual. No registration is required to watch the webcasts.
Webcast Link  Federal Register
MMWR Weekly
https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/index2023.html
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- Possible Exposures Among Mpox Patients Without Reported Male-to-Male Sexual Contact — Six U.S. Jurisdictions, November 1–December 14, 2022
- Outbreak of Multidrug-Resistant Tuberculosis — Kansas, 2021–2022

Europe

European Medicines Agency [EMA]
News & Press Releases
News: Comirnaty: EMA recommends approval of adapted COVID-19 vaccine targeting Omicron XBB.1.5 (new)
CHMP, Last updated: 30/08/2023

European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control
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Epidemiological update - 31 Aug 2023

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Africa Centres for Disease Control and Prevention (Africa CDC) and Africa Public Health Foundation (APHF) reinforces resource mobilisation efforts.
29 August 2023

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BRICS member states, Africa CDC and WHO commit to collaborate with Business sector on Pandemic Prevention, Preparedness and Response
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Bill & Melinda Gates Medical Research Institute [to 02 Sep 2023]
The Bill & Melinda Gates Medical Research Institute is a non-profit biotech organization. Our mission is to develop products to fight malaria, tuberculosis, and diarrheal diseases—three major causes of mortality, poverty, and inequality in developing countries. The world has unprecedented scientific tools at its disposal; now is the time to use them to save the lives of the world's poorest people.

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:: [Vaccines and Global Health: The Week in Review](https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/) - Current edition
:: [Informed Consent: A Monthly Review – September 2023](https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/)
:: [Genomic Medicine – Governance, Ethics, Policy, Practice: A Monthly Digest](https://centerforvaccineethicsandpolicy.net/)
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**CEPI – Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations**  [to 02 Sep 2023]

http://cepi.net/

*Latest News*

**CEPI and IVI renew partnership to accelerate development of vaccines against emerging infectious disease threats**

IVI will provide technical services for CEPI-funded projects, leveraging IVI’s expertise and capabilities.

*News*

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**Partnering to deliver the 100 Days Mission**

Explore CEPI’s dynamic partnerships for global pandemic readiness. Uniting equity and innovation, our collaborations drive rapid pandemic response. See how we’re boosting preparedness with agile partnerships like the University of Oxford.

*Blog*

29 Aug 2023

**CEPI and University of Oxford to accelerate vaccine development against Disease X**

CEPI pledges $80 million to support development of vaccines against outbreak threats, partnering with the University of Oxford to harness their expertise for rapid pandemic response through adaptable ChAdOx technology.

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https://www.darpa.mil/news
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Duke Global Health Innovation Center [to 02 Sep 2023]
https://dukeghic.org/
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EDCTP [to 02 Sep 2023]
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
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Evidence Aid [to 02 Sep 2023]
Evidence Aid aims to save lives and livelihoods in disasters by providing decision-makers with the best available evidence and by championing its use.
http://www.evidenceaid.org/
Resources [Selected]
Rights and equity for people with disabilities in the early months of the COVID-19 pandemic (search up to May 2020)
Using balance score cards to evaluate healthcare performance during pandemics and other health emergencies
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Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic and other emergencies on adolescents with disabilities in low- and middle-income countries (search up to May 2021)
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Introducing PCV and rotavirus vaccine
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**Public Consultation: ICH E6(R3) Principles, Annex 1 and Annex 2**

The E6(R3) EWG is working on the revision of the E6(R2) Guideline “Good Clinical Practice” (GCP) with a view to addressing the application of GCP principles to the increasingly diverse trial types and data sources being employed to support regulatory and healthcare related decision-making on drugs, and provide flexibility whenever appropriate to facilitate the use of technological innovations in clinical trials. Additional information may also be found in ICH Reflection Paper on “GCP Renovation” on the ICH Reflection Paper page. When complete, E6(R3) will be composed of an overarching principles and objectives document, Annex 1 and Annex 2.

**E6(R3) Draft Guideline**

Public consultation dates:
EC, Europe - Deadline for comments by 26 September 2023
FDA, United States - Deadline for comments by 5 September 2023
HSA, Singapore - Deadline for comments by 30 September 2023
Health Canada, Canada - Deadline for comments by 20 October 2023
MHLW/PMDA, Japan - Deadline for comments by 9 September 2023
Swissmedic, Switzerland - Deadline for comments by 26 September 2023

**ICRC** [to 02 Sep 2023]
*What’s New  [Selected]*
The ICRC continues to assist the massive humanitarian needs in Afghanistan
An update on ICRC’s work in the country, from Afghanistan Head of Delegation Eloi Fillion: Just more than half of all Afghans need humanitarian assistance.
28-08-2023 | News release

**IFFIm**
http://www.iffim.org/
Press Releases/Announcements
Ugandan public gets serious about knocking back yellow fever
21 Aug 2023
Months after a major mass preventive vaccination drive, clinics are still seeing streams of people coming in to ask for the jab, say happy health workers.

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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.
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**International Union of Immunological Societies (IUIS)**
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IVI News & Announcements
IVI and the Madagascar Institute for Vaccine Research launch typhoid conjugate vaccine campaign for infants and children
August 21, 2023 – ANTANANARIVO, Madagascar – The International Vaccine Institute (IVI), an international organization with a mission to discover, develop, and deliver safe, effective, and affordable vaccines for global health, and the Madagascar Institute for Vaccine Research (MIVR) at the University of Antananarivo held a ceremony today to launch a mass vaccination campaign against typhoid in the Arivonimamo and Antananarivo-Atsimondrano districts of Madagascar...

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Central African Republic
Attacks against staff and patients in Batangafo threaten continuation of healthcare
Press Release 1 Sep 2023

Panama
Migrants arriving in Panama in urgent need of assistance
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South Sudan
Sudan returnees arrive back in South Sudan in alarming health
Press Release 31 Aug 2023

Chad
MSF appeals for immediate response to Sudanese refugee crisis in Chad
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MSF fully reopens Tabarre hospital following armed intrusion
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Community-focused projects aim to reduce rising malnutrition in Chad
Project Update 28 Aug 2023

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News
Summit Launches New National Academies Initiative to Spur Action on Climate
Feature Story | August 30, 2023
By Benjamin Ulrich
This summer, the impacts of climate change are being felt all over the world — including record-breaking heat waves in the U.S., South America, Europe, and Asia, intense wildfires in Hawaii and Canada, widespread flooding in India and Pakistan, and 100-degree ocean temperatures off the coast of Florida. 2023 is on track to be the warmest year ever recorded.

As addressing the climate crisis becomes increasingly urgent, the National Academies held a summit in July to kick off Climate Crossroads — a major new initiative to help the nation meet the challenges of climate change by harnessing the full complement of expertise and skills across the Academies and catalyzing actions among a more diverse range of stakeholders and decision-makers...

National Vaccine Program Office - U.S. HHS [to 02 Sep 2023]
https://www.hhs.gov/vaccines/about/index.html
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28 August 2023
Future doctors take active role in HIV response to end AIDS

UNICEF [to 02 Sep 2023]
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Robotic Surgery
Robotic assisted minimally invasive surgical procedures have become increasingly common since FDA approval in 2000. First integrated into urologic care, robots now assist general, gynecologic, cardiothoracic, colorectal, and head and neck operations. Indications for and applications of robotic surgical technology continue to evolve, as do ethical questions generated by robotics about informed consent, surgical training and decision making, bias and risk management, and conflict of interest mitigation at the intersection of surgical technique selection and organizational investments. This theme issue looks to motivate conversations about clinical, ethical, and equity standards in a rapidly evolving robotic surgical frontier.
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The vaccination of the Rohingya refugees and host communities against COVID-19 in Cox’s Bazar started in August 2021. Government authorities and Non-Government Organisation partners implemented a project around...

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**Assessing the acceptability of technological health innovations in sub-Saharan Africa: a scoping review and a best fit framework synthesis**

Acceptability is a key concept used to analyze the introduction of a health innovation in a specific setting. However, there seems to be a lack of clarity in this notion, both conceptually and practically.

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To eliminate cervical cancer as a public health problem, the World Health Organization had recommended routine vaccination of adolescent girls with two doses of the human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine before se...

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Impact of national recommendations for routine pertussis vaccination during pregnancy on infant pertussis in Ontario, Canada: a population-based time-series study

In February 2018, Canada’s National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) recommended antenatal tetanus–diphtheria–acellular pertussis (Tdap) immunization in every pregnancy regardless of previous Tdap imm...

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While overall COVID-19 vaccine uptake is high in the Netherlands, it lags behind in certain subpopulations.

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Factors associated with full vaccination and zero vaccine dose in children aged 12–59 months in 6 health districts of Cameroon

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Vaccine stockout is a severe problem in Africa, including Nigeria, which could have an adverse effect on vaccination coverage and even health outcomes among the population. The Vaccine Direct Delivery (VDD) pr...

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COVID-19 vaccine attitudes among youth experiencing homelessness: a qualitative analysis with opportunities for action
Youth experiencing homelessness (YEH) are uniquely vulnerable to COVID-19 infection, yet are often excluded from response planning during the COVID-19 pandemic and other public health crises. As part of a larg...
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The resilience of democracy is tested under exogenous shocks such as crises. The COVID-19 pandemic has recently tested the resilience of democratic institutions and practices around the world...A significant number of papers show that the pandemic has accentuated democratic backsliding but is unlikely to have undermined established democracies that have proved resilient in face of the pandemic. But empirical research has also made visible some weak signals of antidemocratic tendencies that may become more accentuated in the longer run.
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**Multilateralism and the Global Co-Responsibility of Care in Times of a Pandemic: The Legal Duty to Cooperate**

Thana C. de Campos-Rudinsky
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**Abstract**

This article challenges the orthodox view of international law, according to which states have no legal duty to cooperate. It argues for this legal duty in the context of COVID-19, based on the ethical principles of solidarity, stewardship, and subsidiarity. More specifically, the article argues that states have a legal duty to cooperate during a pandemic (as solidarity requires); and while this duty entails an extraterritorial responsibility to care for and assist other nations (as stewardship requires), the legal duty to cooperate still allows states to attend first to the basic needs of those under their own jurisdiction—namely, fellow nationals and residents (as subsidiarity requires). The article provides a definition and philosophical justifications for this legal duty that are lacking in the literature by examining its application to a current COVID-19 controversy: namely, states’ responsibility to assist other countries in greater need by, inter alia, exporting at a discount or donating scarce COVID-19 treatments (including vaccines). In providing a principled tripartite account of pandemic governance, this conceptual and normative article offers a new lens for debating the potential international treaty for pandemic prevention, preparedness, and response that has now been drafted and is under negotiation at the World Health Assembly, by responding to the recent backlash against multilateralism by substantiating global co-responsibilities in times of pandemics and beyond.
Evaluating Country Performance After Transitioning From Gavi Assistance: An Applied Synthetic Control Analysis

Robert John Kolesar, Rok Spruk and Tsheten Tsheten

After transitioning from Gavi support, most countries in this analysis maintained or improved key outcomes compared to expected performance. Transition planning should include assessing risk factors and engaging country actors for post-transition assistance.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Clinical decision support systems can strengthen the quality of IMCI but can vary because of the need for interpretation when translating narrative guidelines into decision logic combined with considerations of context and design choices.
Special Section: Global Voices for Global Justice: Expanding Right to Health Frameworks

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Next-generation vaccines and treatments are needed if we are to break the cycle of responding to new variants as they appear: we need tools that can improve our bodies’ ability to stop infections, reduce transmission, build longer-lasting immunity, and target parts of the virus that are less likely to evolve. Ideally, such vaccines and treatments would provide better protection, enabling us to avoid disruptions of our lives and continue to enjoy the activities we value. Since it’s safe to assume that SARS-CoV-2 will continue to evolve, the goal for the next generation of vaccines and treatments is to be effective irrespective of that evolution — to protect against infection, transmission, and severe illness. This new approach is important for everyone, but particularly for the most vulnerable people — older adults and people who are immunocompromised, for whom infections can have more severe consequences.

The Biden administration has therefore announced Project NextGen, which will coordinate a whole-of-government effort to advance innovations from labs through clinical trials and safely deliver them to the public. It aims to bring new vaccines and treatments to market by investing in research and development, expanding manufacturing capability and innovation, and providing updated and...
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Emergency Departments: An Underutilized Resource for Expanding COVID-19 Vaccine Coverage in Children
by Rebecca Hart, et al.

Abstract
COVID-19 vaccine (CV) acceptance rates remain suboptimal in children. Emergency departments (EDs) represent a unique opportunity to improve vaccination rates, particularly in underserved children. Little is known about the presence or reach of CV programs in US EDs. We assessed, via a cross-sectional survey of pediatric ED physicians, the number of EDs offering CVs to children, the approximate numbers of vaccines administered annually, and the perceived facilitators/barriers to vaccination. The proportion of EDs offering CVs is reported. Chi-square tests compared facilitators and barriers among frequent vaccinators (≥50 CVs/year), infrequent vaccinators (<50 CVs/year), and non-vaccinators. Among 492 physicians from 166 EDs, 142 responded (representing 61 (37.3%) EDs). Most EDs were in large, urban, academic, freestanding children’s hospitals. Only 11 EDs (18.0%) offer ≥1 CV/year, and only two (18.2%) of these gave ≥50 CVs. Common facilitators of vaccination included the electronic health record facilitation of vaccination, a strong provider/staff buy-in, storage/accessibility, and having a leadership team or champion. Barriers included patient/caregiver refusal, forgetting to offer vaccines, and, less commonly, a lack of buy-in/support and the inaccessibility of vaccines. Many (28/47, 59.6%) EDs expressed interest in establishing a CV program.

Does IPV Boost Intestinal Immunity among Children under Five Years of Age? An Experience from Pakistan
by Muhammad Atif Habib, et al.

Abstract
The oral poliovirus vaccine (OPV) has been the mainstay of polio eradication, especially in low-income countries, and its use has eliminated wild poliovirus type 2. However, the inactivated poliovirus vaccine (IPV) is safer than OPV, as IPV protects against paralytic poliomyelitis without producing adverse reactions. The present study compared mucosal and humoral responses to poliovirus vaccines administered to previously OPV-immunized children to assess the immunity gap in children in areas of high poliovirus transmission. A cluster-randomized trial was implemented in three high-risk districts of Pakistan—Karachi, Kashmore, and Bajaur—from June 2013 to May 2014. This trial was community-oriented and included three arms, focusing on healthy children below five years of age. The study involved the randomization of 387 clusters, of which 360 were included in the final analysis. The control arm (A) received the routine polio program bivalent poliovirus vaccine (bOPV). The second arm (B) received additional interventions, including health camps providing routine vaccinations and preventive maternal and child health services. In addition to the interventions in arm B, the third arm (C) was also provided with IPV. Blood and stool samples were gathered from children to evaluate humoral and intestinal immunity. The highest levels of poliovirus type 1 serum antibodies were
observed in Group C (IPV + OPV). The titers for poliovirus type 2 (P2) and poliovirus type 3 (P3) were noticeably higher in those who had received a routine OPV dose than in those who had not across all study groups and visits. Providing an IPV booster after at least two OPV doses could potentially fill immunity gaps in regions where OPV does not show high efficacy. However, IPV only marginally enhances humoral immunity and fails to offer intestinal immunity, which is critical to stop the infection and spread of live poliovirus in populations that have not been exposed before.

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The role and influence of perceived experts in an anti-vaccine misinformation community

Mallory J. Harris, Ryan Murfledt, Shufan Wang, Erin A. Mordecai, Jevin D. West


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Migration health ethics in Southeast Asia: a scoping review [version 1; peer review: awaiting peer review]
Shu Hui Ng, Sharon Kaur, Phaik Yeong Cheah, Zhen Ling Ong, Jane Lim Teck Chuan Voo

Abstract
Background: Asia hosts the second-largest international migrant population in the world. In Southeast Asia (SEA), key types of migration are labour migration, forced migration, and environmental migration. This scoping review seeks to identify key themes and gaps in current research on the ethics of healthcare for mobile and marginalised populations in SEA, and the ethics of research involving these populations.
Methods: We performed a scoping review using three broad concepts: population (stateless population,
migrants, refugees, asylum seekers, internally displaced people), issues (healthcare and ethics), and context (11 countries in SEA). Three databases (PubMed, CINAHL, and Web of Science) were searched from 2000 until May 2023 over a period of four months (February 2023 to May 2023). Other relevant publications were identified through citation searches, and six bioethics journals were hand searched. All searches were conducted in English, and relevant publications were screened against the inclusion and exclusion criteria. Data were subsequently imported into NVivo 14, and thematic analysis was conducted.

Results: We identified 18 papers with substantial bioethical analysis. Ethical concepts that guide the analysis were ‘capability, agency, dignity’, ‘vulnerability’, ‘precarity, complicity, and structural violence’ (n=7). Ethical issues were discussed from the perspective of research ethics (n=9), clinical ethics (n=1) and public health ethics (n=1). All publications are from researchers based in Singapore, Thailand, and Malaysia. Research gaps identified include the need for more research involving migrant children, research from migrant-sending countries, studies on quality of migrant healthcare, participatory health research, and research with internal migrants.

Conclusions: More empirical research is necessary to better understand the ethical issues that exist in the domains of research, clinical care, and public health. Critical examination of the interplay between migration, health and ethics with consideration of the diverse factors and contexts involved is crucial for the advancement of migration health ethics in SEA.

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Benedict Clements et al.
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