



Routine Immunization: Anything but Routine

Routine immunization – the process of vaccinating with potent vaccines, given safely and efficiently in a timely manner before exposure to disease and using all vaccines in the national vaccination schedule – is a workhorse in need of greater investment.

A robust routine immunization program, functioning as an integral part of the health system, serves as the essential platform to achieve and sustain **our ambitious global goals** such as:



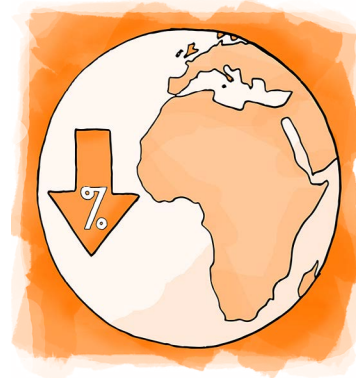
Uniformly high
and equitable
vaccination



Smooth
introduction of
more expensive
new vaccines



Integration
of other
compatible
health services



Reduced
disability,
morbidity, and
mortality



Eventual
elimination and
eradication of
target diseases