

Global Polio Eradication



The Progress & the Legacy





Polio Eradication: Objectives

- 1. Interrupt virus transmission
- 2. Certify global eradication
- 3. Post-certification policies
- 4. Expand the 'polio infrastructure'





Interrupting Poliovirus Transmission





The Polio Problem, 1988

> 350 000 cases
125 countries





Polio Progress, 2002



Polio Campaigns: reaching every child



Polio 2001-2002 High Burden Countries

Reported Cases





Priority: quality of key OPV campaigns







India as the Global Priority

85% of global burden in 2002.

Only country to re-establish transmission in polio-free areas.

Lowest number of OPV rounds in an endemic area.





Certification of Global Eradication





Global Certification: Components

- 1. Surveillance sensitivity
- 2. Accredited laboratories
- 3. Containment of polioviruses
- 4. Certification process





Surveillance Quality





AFP Detection Rates, 2002



Specimen Collection, 2002





Containment of Polio Stocks The *other half* of polio eradication



Finding and controlling wild poliovirus in human populations Global Action Plan for Laboratory Containment of Wild Polioviruses Guidelines for Implementing Laboratory Containment of Wild Polioviruses

Pre-eradication phase



Finding and controlling wild poliovirus in laboratories





Containment Progress



Countries reporting completion of survey (79)

Countries conducting survey (67)

Total = 146

Priority: complete national surveys and inventories.



Certification Process

'Regions may be certified polio-free after absence of wild poliovirus for at least 3 years, in the presence of excellent surveillance.'

Global Certification Commission, 1995







Post-Certification Policies





Polio Immunization Policy

Goal: maintain polio-free status at lowest possible cost.

(cost = cases + \$\$)





Post-Certification Risks of Polic

Vaccine-derived Virus

Vaccine-associated polio (VAPP) Vaccine-derived polio outbreak (cVDPV) Immunodeficient longterm excretors (iVDPV)

Wild Virus

IPV vaccine manufacturing sites Inadvertant release of wild poliovirus Intentional wild poliovirus release





Post-Certification Risks

<u>Risk</u>	Frequency to date	Annual <u>burden</u>	Evolution over time
VAPP	1:2.4 m doses	250-500	stable
cVDPV	1 per year?	10	increases?
iVDPV	19 since 1963	<1	decreases
IPV sites	1 release (1990s)	0	decreases
lab release	nil	NA	decreases
Intentional	nil	NA	conditional





OPV-related outbreaks





* more than 5,000 Sabin isolates screened

Reducing risks due to OPV cessation

Preconditions

- global containment of wild poliovirus stocks
- national 'surveillance and response' strategy

Potential Immunization Strategies

- stop OPV following pulse immunization, with sufficient stockpile until production is restarted.
- Replace OPV with IPV (WPV-IPV or Sabin-IPV).



Introduce a 'new' polio vaccine.



The 'Polio Infrastructure'





Human Resources WHO polio-funded staff*







approximately 3000 people at end-2002

Polio Staff Survey 2001

International staff (177 surveyed):

- 91% conducting routine EPI & surveillance
- 44% of time devoted to non-polio activities

National staff (838 surveyed)

- 100% involved in routine EPI & surveillance
- 22% of time on non-polio activities





Polio & Other Services

Routine Immunization

- cold chain
- microplanning
- management
- social mobilization



Disease Surveillance

- measles
- 'EPI' diseases
- epidemic-prone diseases











Funding Gap, 2003-5

Polio Eradication US \$3 billion budget, 1988-2005





NOTES: this chart represents 'external' financing data as of 31 January 2005. 'Other' includes more than 25 donors contributing between US\$100 000 & US\$ 25 million. The World Bank/Gates/Rotary-UNF Collaboration is reflected under the respective donors.











Polio can be eradicated: India, Nigeria, Egypt & Pakistan are now the key areas.

The risks of polio in the 'post-certification era' are quantifiable & manageable.

The polio lessons & infrastructure could substantially impact other diseases.

Insufficient financing is the greatest risk.









The Polio Partnership



Polio in India, 1998–2002



SIAs Quality % houses missed in SNIDs, India, Sept 2002







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Stopping Transmission Critical Factors

Increased number & quality of rounds in India, Nigeria, Egypt.

Subnational political engagement & community ownership in India & Nigeria

Enhanced veracity of programme in Egypt.

Sustained political engagement in Pakistan.





Polio Staff Activities Use of staff time, 2001







Opportunities Enhancing routine & integrating SIAs

 Routine OPV3 coverage > 85%.

2. Supplemental OPV campaigns every 1-3 years in poliofree areas where OPV3 < 85%. Opportunities to integrate polio & measles SIAs, 2003







Certification & Containment

Global Certification = Regional Certification x 6 + Regional Containment x 6

Global Certification Commission, 1997





Polio Today



<u>Americas</u> 0 children paralyzed

West Pacific 0 children paralyzed





Asia & Africa 98% of cases in just 3 countries

Europe & NIS 0 children paralyzed

