

National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) February 6, 2009 Meeting on the draft strategic National Vaccine Plan: Goal 5 - Increase global prevention of death and disease through safe and effective vaccines

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Summary of Comments :

- There was consensus among the group on the need for global health goal in the National Vaccine Plan
- The group recommended increasing communication regarding the relevance of global health to U.S. citizenry
- The plan should work out the tension between “achievable” and “aspirational”—and in that context, address the leadership role of the U.S. (federal or national?)
- The plan reflects U.S. support for globally agreed-to goals
- Incorporate the importance of sustainability of goals throughout plan
- The plan should incorporate recognition that our commitment to global health should reflect our foreign policy interests; there should be greater communication between foreign policy and global health stakeholders
- The National Vaccine Plan should better identify all potential partners and stakeholders in global health (e.g., academic organizations, non-governmental organizations [NGOs], professional associations, and manufacturers) and should reach beyond traditional partnerships in the immunization world

- Ensure that content is cross-referenced, so that relevant partners and initiatives are recognized throughout the plan
- Immunization should be an integral part of providing prevention and treatment services