

Strengthening Global Pediatric Immunization Champions



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Goal:

Strengthen National Pediatric Societies' ability to **strategically support their country's health system** through optimal and **appropriate immunization policies, recommendations, and guidelines** at the country level.

Objective 1:

Educate and strengthen capacity for pediatric leaders to be immunization advocates

Objective 2:

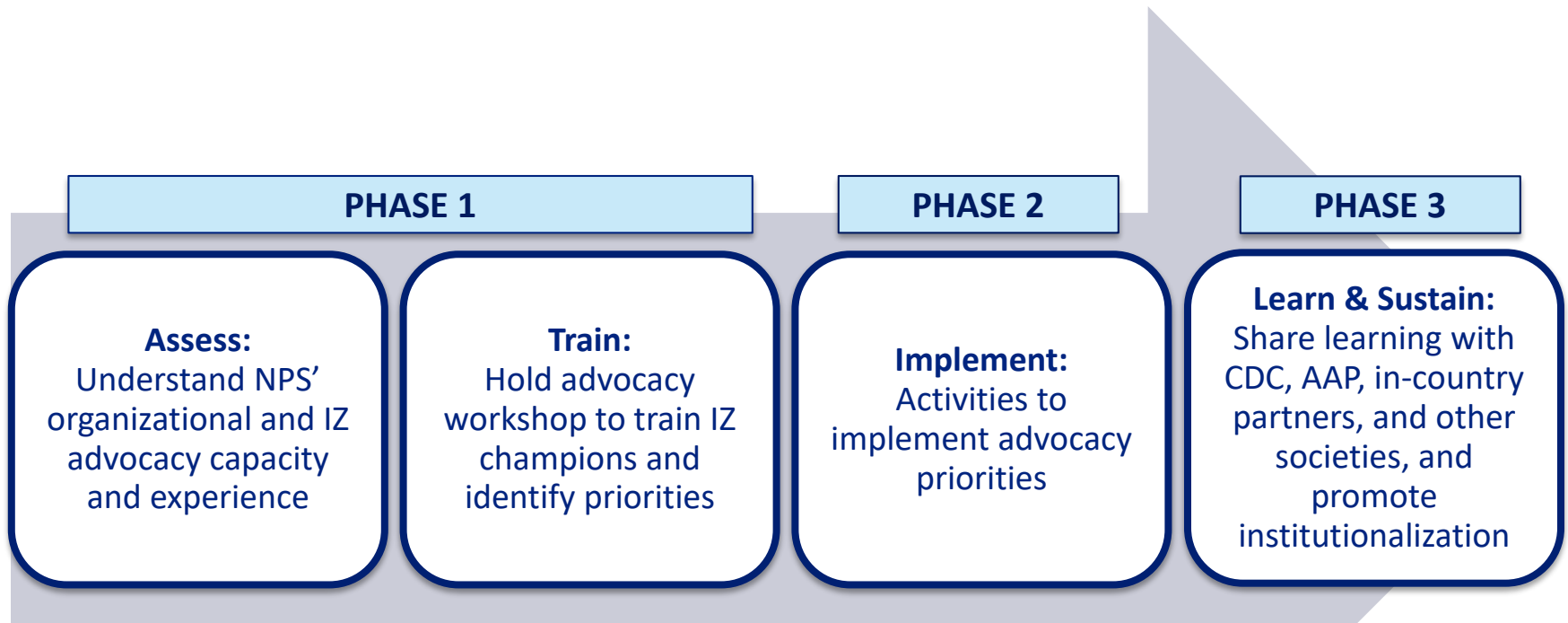
Support country **partners to** appropriately **respond** to immunization priorities

Objective 3:

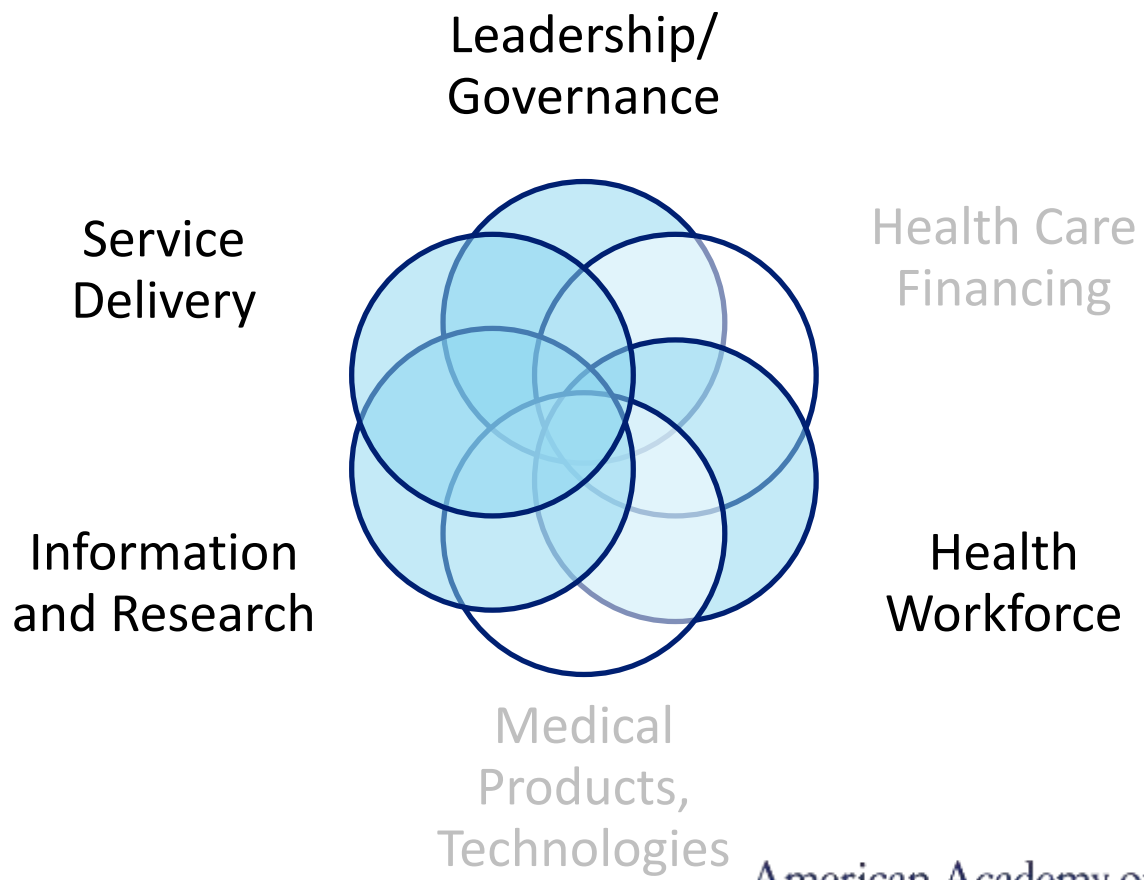
Foster streamlined approaches to working with pediatric professionals in-country to meet global goals



PROGRAM APPROACH



IMMUNIZATION SYSTEM STRENGTHENING THROUGH AAP'S CURRENT WORK



CURRENT GLOBAL FOOTPRINT

Across all countries of engagement with the AAP's support, 135 pediatricians have been trained as Advocates who have provided information/education and advocated for immunization issues to:

- 84 government representatives and policymakers,
- 453 health workers across the health system (pediatricians to frontline vaccinators)
- 2,130 caregivers

... and counting.



EXAMPLES: STRENGTHENING LEADERSHIP/GOVERNANCE

- Gaining buy-in and understanding for immunization from regional leadership
 - Obtained written commitment for immunization financing, HRH for routine immunization, and state commitment to polio eradication efforts from Permanent Secretaries for Health in 6 Nigerian States
 - Trained clan leaders and regional health leaders in 2 high-need/low-coverage states leading to published commitments from political and cultural leaders in Ethiopia
- Expanded leadership and governance relationships for measles elimination in Nepal
 - Leveraged expertise and relationships with vaccinators to ensure locally-owned solutions were incorporated into the National Measles Elimination plan



EXAMPLES: STRENGTHENING HEALTH WORKFORCE

- In Kenya, supported development of a revised immunization training curriculum in coordination with the MOH, to be implemented across all levels of the health system, including private medical institutions
 - Increased engagement of pediatricians in public-sector work
 - Developed coordinated messages between public/private providers and across health system levels
- Expanded knowledge of frontline health workers by training on VPDs, AEFIs, and communication skills in Nepal
 - Developed national and regional training relationship between MOH and Pediatric Society
 - Expanded knowledge-base and skills of vaccinators to provide evidence-based information to patients
- In Indonesia and Philippines, trained private providers on data collection of public-sector vaccines
 - Increased skills around data for decision making in private sector
 - Included training on mentorship of public health workforce for recent medical graduates prior to mandatory deployment to rural areas



EXAMPLES: STRENGTHENING INFORMATION AND RESEARCH

- Eliminate gaps in data reporting by linking public and private sector data in Philippines, Indonesia, & Uganda
 - Implemented new reporting system across private sector, via NPS chapters (nationwide coverage) to ensure EPI vaccines provided in private sector are captured in national data in Philippines
 - Create e-MIS for non-EPI vaccines to 1) report coverage to the MOH and 2) to develop evidence for recommendations for vaccine introduction in Indonesia
 - Coordinate vaccine service delivery data collection & strengthen private-sector service delivery by non-pediatrician private providers in Indonesia & Uganda



EXAMPLES: STRENGTHENING SERVICE DELIVERY

- Providing mentorship and on-the-job support to public sector in the Philippines, Indonesia, and Uganda
 - Developed public/private partnerships in regions to provide mentorship and on-the-job support
 - Young Pediatricians provide on-the-job mentorship to vaccinators and nurses following established guidelines
 - Supplement MOH training & supervision to “approved” private sector providers to ensure appropriate care
- Utilized training opportunities to ensure coordinated care and increased patient choice in Nepal and Tanzania
 - Included non-EPI, 2nd year of life and beyond vaccines in skills-based training for frontline vaccinators to increase referrals and demand for integrated care beyond the 1st year in Nepal
 - Will train pediatric hospital managers in new vaccines

