Frequently Asked Questions on Gavi Hepatitis B Birth Dose programme

Information provided by Gavi to support potential applicants to Unitaid's Call for Proposals on eliminating vertical transmission of HIV, syphilis, hepatitis B, and Chagas.

1. Is the Gavi Hep B BD programme launched?

No, the Gavi programme will be launched in June 2024.

2. Where can we find details of the Gavi approach to the programme?

The Gavi Hepatitis B birth dose vaccine programme will be based on the Hepatitis B Birth Dose Investment Case which is published on the Gavi website <u>here.</u>

3. Which countries will be targeted by the Gavi programme.

All Gavi eligible countries that have not introduced the HepB BD vaccine in their schedules. The list of Gavi eligible countries is <u>here</u>.

4. What support will Gavi be providing to countries?

Gavi provides support to Gavi-eligible countries for the introduction of the Hepatitis B birth dose (HepB BD) vaccine into the routine immunisation schedule as recommended by WHO.

Gavi support covers the following in line with the <u>co-financing policy</u>:

- Vaccine procurement and associated supplies (e.g., injection, safety devices)
- Vaccine Introduction Grants (VIGs) Gavi will provide financial support for activities to facilitate the introduction of the HepB BD.
- Other Gavi support –Countries are encouraged to utilise the full range of Gavi support available to them including Health Systems Strengthening (HSS) grants (within the existing ceiling after accounting for other programmatic priorities) and Targeted Country Assistance to support the establishment of delivery platforms for the HepB BD vaccine.

5. Where do we find comprehensive information on all Gavi support?

Comprehensive information on all Gavi support is available on the Gavi website here.