

Advocating on global health

How do RESULTS' actions on global health fit together? And how do they support RESULTS' overall mission of ending poverty?

Investments in multilateral agencies (those supported by a range of countries and donors) can have a much wider impact than just on the individual issues they have been set up to tackle, from strengthening health systems to working with national governments to increase domestic investments in healthcare. By calling on the UK to fund multilateral agencies, we are not only advocating for that specific issue, but also for wider health system strengthening, aiming for access to healthcare for all. Here's a summary of why we advocate for certain multilaterals at certain times.

Agency	Why we campaign on it	What's needed?
The Coalition for Epidemic Preparedness Innovations (CEPI)	Vaccines are among our most powerful tools against diseases. CEPI aims to speed up the time it takes to develop vaccines against infectious diseases and enable equitable access to them.	There will be a CEPI funding summit, hosted by the UK, on 8 March. The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the need for quick development of vaccines and equitable access to these vaccines.
The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria	The Global Fund works to ending these three deadly diseases, provides 77% of all international financing on TB. The Global Fund also invests in strengthening health systems and is supporting countries' responses to COVID-19.	In 2022, the Global Fund will seek funding for the next three years. This time period will be critical, as progress towards ending TB has been set back by around 12 years by the COVID-19 pandemic.
The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI)	GPEI works to ensure that no child suffers from the disease again. Polio vaccinators reach children in the remotest places, and also tackle other health issues.	The UK cut its funding to GPEI in 2021 by 95%, despite its 2019 pledge to support global efforts to eradicate polio. GPEI workers have been vital in the pandemic response.
Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance	Gavi helps to vaccinate almost half the world's children against deadly and debilitating infectious diseases.	In 2020, RESULTS campaigners helped persuaded the UK to fund Gavi for 5 years. We are watching to ensure this pledge is honoured despite the aid cuts.
COVAX	COVAX was set up to speed up the development and manufacturing of COVID-19 vaccines. It is the main global mechanism for sharing and distributing doses globally.	RESULTS campaigns on an equitable response to the COVID-19 pandemic have urged the UK to share vaccine doses through COVAX to ensure equitable distribution.

An end to TB – upcoming Global Fund replenishment

In March and April, the RESULTS monthly actions will be focused on the fight to end TB. TB was – until the advent of COVID-19 – the most deadly infectious disease in the world, and things have only worsened since the pandemic began. This year, the [Global Fund to Fight AIDS, TB and Malaria](#) is holding its 7th replenishment to raise investments for the next three years, 2023-25. The Global Fund provides 77% of all international financing for TB, so a fully funded Global Fund takes us one step closer to an end to this deadly disease.

Find out more about TB and where we're at in terms of ending it in our blog '[TB or not TB: An end to this killer infectious disease by 2030](#)'.



4.7 MILLION
PEOPLE WITH TB WERE
TREATED IN COUNTRIES
WHERE THE GLOBAL FUND
INVESTED IN 2020



3/4
OF ALL INTERNATIONAL FINANCING
FOR TB COMES FROM
THE GLOBAL FUND

Source: theglobalfund.org/en/tuberculosis/

In 2019, RESULTS campaigners played a big part in persuading the UK Government [to pledge £1.4 billion](#) to the Global Fund. But with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, there have been huge setbacks and knock-on effects to the fight to end TB, AIDS and Malaria. While the Global Fund is dedicated to ending these three diseases, its new strategy also emphasises the importance pandemic preparedness and support for tackling the COVID-19 pandemic. The next replenishment period is therefore critical in regaining some of the progress made to end the three diseases, as well as integrating the Global Fund's expertise across health systems to tackle COVID-19.

A heads-up!

World TB Day is on Thursday 24 March. This an important moment to speak out about TB, a disease that gets very little attention and funding in relation to the damage it does to people in every country of the world. World TB Day is also an advocacy 'hook' for reminding world leaders of promises and targets made to ending the disease, invest in TB, and reach more people with TB diagnostics and treatments. This will therefore be the focus for our March and April actions.

As a group, consider any additional activities you might be able to undertake. For example, you could:

- Write a blog about TB.
- Write to your local newspaper about World TB day, the fight to End TB and the Global Fund replenishment.
- Prepare content to share on social media (watch out for resources that we hope to share).
- Hold a local event to raise awareness of TB and encourage others to take action.

Keep an eye out on RESULTS' social media, newsletter and upcoming action materials for more information. Please contact Naveed, Ruthie or Tanya if you or your group need support with planning an activity for World TB Day.