

Case Study 1: Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance



Global vaccination programmes have saved millions of lives. Investment in immunisation programmes in lower-income countries has dramatically increased over the past 2 decades and the UK is a world leader on immunisation through its support to [Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance](#) (Gavi). Gavi is an international organisation that brings together the public and private sectors with the shared goal of creating equal access to vaccines for children living in the world's poorest countries. Founded in 2000, it has since helped to immunise more than [690 million children and has prevented more than 10 million deaths](#). Through a unique model, Gavi works closely with countries to increase domestic resources for vaccination and country ownership of immunisation programmes. Gavi also plays an active role in creating healthier vaccine markets to ensure vaccines are more affordable and available in the world's poorest countries, ensuring no child is beyond reach.

In 2015, the UK pledged £1 billion over 5 years to Gavi and remains its largest donor. As well as saving millions of lives from vaccine-preventable diseases, a study in 2016 found that for every \$1 invested in vaccines, it can produce a return of \$16 in reduced healthcare costs and loss of working days. Taking into account the benefits of people living longer and healthier lives, the return for each \$1 investment can be up to as much as \$44.

It is essential that the UK continues to invest in Gavi. Only by increasing immunisation investments will we receive the greatest economic impact of vaccines and ensure that all children are immunised against preventable diseases.

Case Study 2: Health Systems Strengthening in Zambia

The Department for International Development (DFID) also runs bilateral programmes to increase the resilience of weak health systems in poorer countries. In recent years, the UK has worked with the Government of Zambia and other donors to reduce extreme poverty through investment in better health, sanitation and nutrition services.

The UK is providing £35 million in support to the Government of Zambia to strengthen health systems in the Western and Central provinces. The [Health Systems Strengthening Programme](#) in Zambia is a 5-year programme that aims to improve the health of women and girls from birth to childhood and motherhood. This, together with other parallel

interventions to strengthen the health system, will by 2021 reduce child and maternal deaths by 25% and 15% respectively. This project aims to improve the nutrition status of 500,000 children, women and young girls and give 270,000 girls and women access to family planning. It will also contribute towards Global Goal 3, good health and wellbeing for all.

RESULTS recently took Jessica Morden MP, Lord Ray Collins of Highbury and Greg Hands MP on a parliamentary delegation to Zambia, where they witnessed the impacts of this programme on the local community first-hand.



Greg Hands ✓ @GregHands · Sep 18

UK aid making a real difference. Here in Musamba Clinic outreach near Chipata, Zambia, with @resultsuk seeing @DFIDZambia funded "First 1,000 Days Most Critical Days" Programme of baby weighing, immunisations, malaria control & more, with incredible midwife Ruth Mwale. Huge queue



DFID Zambia 🇸🇩 🇬🇧, UKinZambia, Collins of Highbury and Jessica Morden



10



20

