



GCC States Consultation on Future EPI Schedule



Objectives

- **To discuss the latest developments in vaccines and related technologies**
- **To decide on to the future directions for the control/elimination of the Vaccine Preventable Diseases**
- **To update the GCC-EPI schedule based on latest information/recommendations (paediatric age groups and adult)**

Session 2: Polio vaccine

09:00 – 09:30	Global status on polio eradication <i>Choice of vaccine – IPV vs. mOPV</i>	Dr Roland Sutter <i>Polio Vaccine Research, WHO-HQ</i>
09.30 – 09:55	The IPV introduction in Europe/Turkey <i>Experience of member states</i>	Prof Mustafa Bakir <i>Turkey</i>
09:55 – 10:20	IPV combination vaccines	Dr Joel Calmet
10:20 – 10:30	IPV introduction in GCC states <i>GCC meet 2006 recommendations</i>	Dr Salah Al Awaidy <i>MoH, Oman</i>
10:30 – 10:55	<i>Do we need to introduce 2nd dose of IPV in EPI?</i>	<i>Group discussion</i>

Session 3: HPV vaccine

11:20 – 11:50

Global HPV Disease Burden

Rationale for vaccination

Dr M Nabi Kanibir

11:50 – 12:10

HPV implementation and cost-effectiveness

The Kuwait experience

Dr Musaab Al Saleh

MoH, Kuwait

12:10 – 12:40

Do we need national HPV burden studies?

Group discussion

Session 4: Rotavirus vaccine

12:40 – 13:10	Global Rotavirus situation <i>WHO and Global position</i>	Dr Michelle Coveia
13:10 – 13:40	<i>What more is needed to convince policy makers?</i>	<i>Group discussion</i>

Session 5: Pneumococcal Vaccine

13:40 – 14:10

PCV catch-up campaign

Is it cost-effective?

Dr Mark Fitcher

14:10 – 14:15

PCV catch-up campaign

14:15 – 14:20

(Experience sharing – verbal)

EPI programme managers

MoH, Bahrain & Kuwait

14:20 – 14:30

Should every country conduct a catch-up campaign?

Group discussion

Session 6: Hepatitis A vaccine

8:35 – 09:00	Changing Epidemiology of HepA <i>Burden & need of vaccination</i>	Dr Shyam Bawikar <i>MoH, Oman</i>
09:00 - 09:15	Hepatitis A vaccine in EPI <i>Impact in Saudi Arabia</i>	Dr Ameen Muskhes <i>MoH, Saudi Arabia</i>
09:15 - :09:35	<i>Are we ready for HepA vaccine introduction in EPI?</i>	<i>Group discussion</i>

Session 7: Pertussis vaccine

09.35– 10:05

Acellular vs. Whole-cell Pertussis vaccines
Immune response & adverse events?

Dr Tamer Petivan

10:05 – 10:25

Is pertussis booster needed for adults?

Group discussion

Session 8: Adult Vaccinations: The unmet need

10.40 – 11.10	Global experience on adult vaccination <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Opportunities to increase uptake</i>• <i>Recommended vaccines</i>	Dr John Grabenstein
11.10 – 11.30	Adult vaccinations in GCC states Current policies & constraints	Dr Salah Al Awaidy MoH, Oman
11:30 – 11:50	<i>What more can we do for the advocacy & uptake?</i>	<i>Group discussion</i>



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