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Background

Routine immunizations and new vaccine introductions have proven to be one of the best investments to improving people's health around the globe. However, global stakeholders and national governments quietly acknowledge that there are still strong challenges related to data quality. The Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation believes that it is time to take a fresh look at the issues facing immunization programs and acknowledge a holistic approach that simultaneously supports the people, practices, policies and products.

The Better Immunization Data (BID) Initiative is a bold effort to augment and link together the many disparate technology solutions at play in the immunization and global health arenas to enable a "best-in-class," enterprise-wide management information system. However, technology is only a small part of this effort. The BID Initiative's vision is to empower countries to enhance immunization and overall health service delivery through improved data collection, quality, and use. If we are successful, a true tipping point will occur—one in which countries can access, analyze, and act upon accurate immunization data—anytime, anywhere, resulting in improved immunization outcomes.

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