

APEC Vaccines Task Force

Advancing Vaccination across the Life-Course



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Who We Are

The **APEC Vaccines Task Force (VTF)** is a public–private initiative established in 2020, operating under the APEC Health Working Group's Sub-Working Group on Vaccination, co-led by the United States and Peru. The VTF developed the **APEC Action Plan on Vaccination Across the Life-Course**, endorsed by APEC Health Ministers in 2021, as a comprehensive strategy for enhancing the resilience of life-course immunization programs in APEC member economies. All 21 APEC economies are welcome to engage with VTF activities.

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APEC Economies

1,000+

Stakeholders Engaged

10+

Global Delivery Partners

What We've Delivered



**Life-Course
Vaccination
Dashboard**



**Regional Action
Plan & Policy
Briefs**



**1,000+
Multi-Sector
Network**



**Convening &
Capacity
Building**

The Seven Pillars of the Action Plan

- 1 Promote recognition of the value of vaccination & vaccine introduction
- 2 Prioritize access to & uptake of vaccination across the life-course
- 3 Build a whole-of-government capacity in health security & pandemic preparedness
- 4 Strengthen confidence in vaccination & build resilient immunization programs
- 5 Enable investment & innovation in vaccine R&D, manufacturing, and delivery
- 6 Accelerate regulatory harmonization for vaccines across APEC economies
- 7 Establish proven & innovative mechanisms for sustainable immunization financing

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2026 Highlights At a Glance



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APEC Life-Course Vaccination Dashboard

A Living, Regional Data Tool for APEC Economies

Explore vaccination coverage, demographic pressures, health financing, and system readiness, providing member economies with a dynamic tool to assess immunization program strengths, identify policy and financing gaps, and learn from peer approaches across the region.

What the Dashboard Reveals

Based on the number of APEC economies self-reporting $\geq 90\%$ coverage, strong childhood immunization is not yet carried into adolescent and older-adult programs.

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Childhood

2

Adolescent

1

Older Adults



APEC Life-Course Vaccination Dashboard

Tracking Policy, Financing, Regulation, and Delivery Readiness

About

Life-course immunization helps people stay healthy at every age—protecting children, adolescents, adults, and older adults from vaccine-preventable diseases. As APEC economies manage aging populations, rising health needs, and more frequent public health emergencies, vaccinating across the life course has become an important way to keep communities healthy, reduce pressure on health systems, and support a productive workforce. To deliver these benefits, economies need more than vaccines alone. They also require the right policies, financing structures, delivery platforms, data systems, and regulatory processes to make life-course vaccination accessible and sustainable. This dashboard brings these elements together across seven pillars of system readiness, making it easier to see where enabling mechanisms are already in place and where further progress can be made.

Policy Landscape

Policy enablers play a critical role in shaping how economies respond to aging populations, rising disease burden, and long-term health system sustainability. Across APEC, economies differ in the extent to which key policy mechanisms supporting life-course immunization are in place, reflecting variation in governance arrangements, financing models, and institutional capacity. Together, these policy choices influence whether immunization systems can move beyond childhood vaccination to support prevention across adolescence, adulthood, and older age—an increasingly important consideration as demographic and health pressures intensify.

1 Select a Pillar. Choose one of the seven pillars to explore a specific area of life-course immunization readiness.

2 Select an Indicator. View the status of a specific enabling mechanism across APEC economies.

3 Explore the Map and Summary Charts. See which economies have the mechanism in place ("Yes"), do not ("No"), or where data are not available.

Select Pillar

Select Indicator

Pillar 1

Promote recognition of the value of vaccination and vaccine innovation by policymakers and key decision-makers

Pillar 2

Prioritize access to and uptake of vaccination across the life-course for all individuals

Pillar 3

Build whole-of-government capacity in health security and pandemic preparedness

Pillar 4

Strengthen confidence in vaccination and build resilient immunization programs

Pillar 5

Enable investment and innovation in vaccine R&D, manufacturing, and delivery

Pillar 6

Accelerate regulatory harmonization for vaccines across APEC economies

Pillar 7

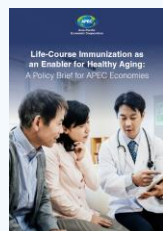
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HWG-Endorsed Policy Briefs on Life-Course Immunization

- Life-Course Immunization as an Enabler of Healthy Aging
- Digital Tools as Enablers of Life-Course Immunization



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APEC-Funded Project Opportunities

Approved In-Principle

Immunization System Resilience

Strengthen immunization systems as essential health security infrastructure for routine coverage and emergency response across the life-course

Overseer: Peru

Co-Sponsors: Chinese Taipei · Hong Kong, China · Philippines · Singapore

Deliverables:

- Resilience Framework & Toolkit
- Technical Workshop & In-Person Stress Test in Viet Nam (2027)

Under Consideration

Future-Ready Immunization Financing

Strengthen economies' capacity to plan future-ready financing for routine life-course immunization, responsive to growing pressures on primary health systems

Overseer: Peru

Co-Sponsors: Canada · Hong Kong, China · Thailand

Deliverables:

- Immunization Financing Playbook & Economy Action Plans;
- Consultations + In-Person Application Workshop