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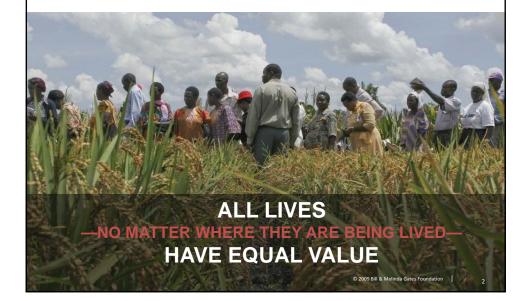
Our Role in the Polio Eradication Initiative

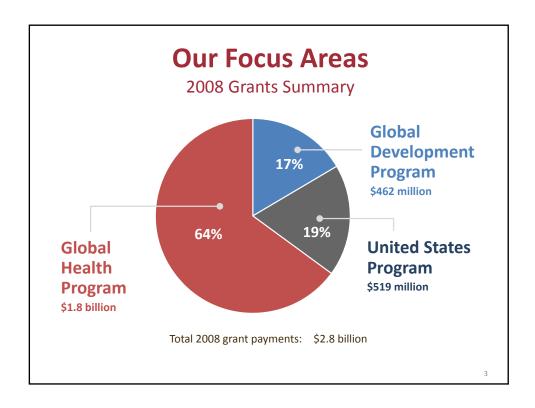
Tim Petersen Vaccine Preventable Diseases Delivery Global Health Program

November 20, 2009



## **Our Belief**





## **Our Grantmaking Process**

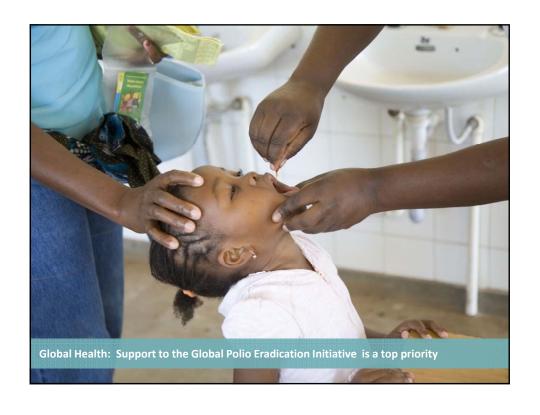
#### **Typical Grants**

- Help reduce the greatest inequities
- Advance existing strategies
- Catalyze momentum
- Leverage collaboration and partners
- Favor preventative approaches
- Produce measurable results



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Global Health Strategies	Percentage of 2009 Global Health Spending
Polio	14%
HIV	14%
Advocacy	11%
Malaria	9%
ТВ	7%
Neglected Diseases	7%
Vaccine Preventable Diseases	7%
Maternal & Newborn Health	6%
Pneumonia	5%
Vaccines – Discovery	4%
Diarrhea	5%
Other areas (Nutrition, FP, Tobacco)	11%



## Rotary Inspired the Foundation

- Incredible fundraising
- Billions of children vaccinated
- 99% decrease in infections





- Through our grants we will contribute to:
  - Increasing the chances to reach eradication more quickly and efficiently
  - Make investments in projects that promote local solutions in polio-affected countries
  - Develop tools for a safe post-eradication period
- And help ensure continued funding and attention



## \$200M Challenge Is Essential





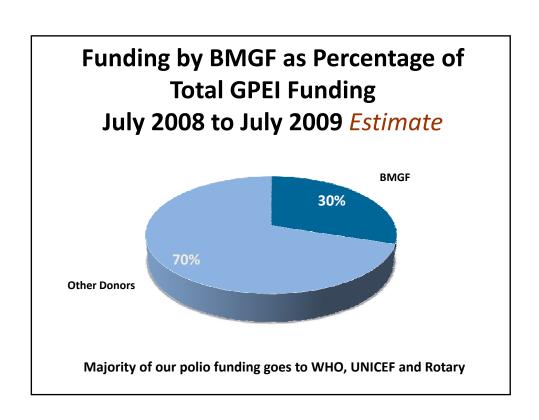
"The extraordinary dedication of Rotary members has played a critical role in bringing polio to the brink of eradication....we are committed to helping reach that goal."

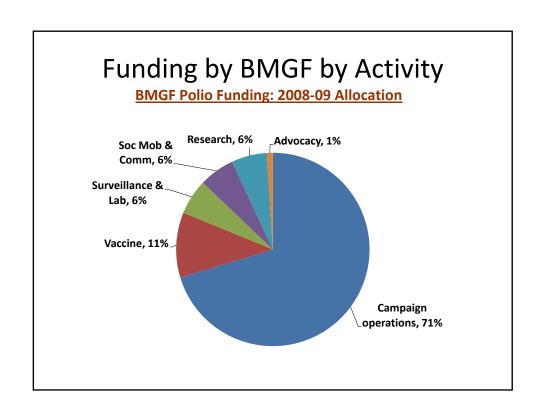
**BILL GATES** 

#### **BMGF Polio Grants Overview**

- 1999- 2006 "Silent" funder of polio eradication efforts \$200M
- 2007 1:1 matching grant to Rotary \$100M
- 2008 \$150M and began active role in program and advocacy work
  - Bill Gates Trip to India
- 2009 \$255M (including second \$100M matching grant to Rotary)
  - Polio featured in Mr. Gates first annual letter
  - Bill Gates Trip to Nigeria

Total: More than \$680M for polio in last 10 years





# Key achievements

Area	Achievement
Coverage in Nigeria	<ul> <li>% of children with 3+ doses of OPV increased from 57% to 63%</li> <li>Increased political commitment and oversight</li> </ul>
Outbreak Response	Funds allowed for faster response to outbreak     Helped limit the spread of polio in import countries
Surveillance & Lab Network	Helped maintain AFP surveillance and laboratory confirmation at a high quality
Product Development	Contributed to research on needle-free devices     May be useful for GPEI and other immunization programs.
Research	Prioritized research with BMGF funds     Establishment of Polio Research Committee     Enhanced program priority of research     Antivirals

# Advocacy & resource mobilization – how the foundation can help



The Sultan of Sokoto & Traditional Leaders, Feb 09

#### Feb 2009: Abuja Communiqué by State Governors

ABUJA COMMITMENTS TO POLIO ERADICATION IN NIGERIA

A communiqué following the meeting of governors with Mr. Bill Gates

02 February 2009

We, the Executive Governors of the thirty-six (36) States of the Federal Republic of Nigeria, meeting in Abuja, with Mr. Bijl Gates, on 2 February, 2009 at a special session on health convened under the leadership of His Excellency, Umaru Musa Yar'Adua, President of the Federal Republic of Nigeria



# Potential future areas of investments 2010-2012

- Proportion of the global financial resource requirements
- New initiatives that may optimize the probability of success
  - Emphasis on improving quality of polio campaign implementation
  - Focusing on improving coverage of children through better routine immunization program s
  - Operational research
  - New vaccine research
  - Political Advocacy

### **Summary**

- Polio is one of the highest priorities of the foundation
- We are committed to working with partners and donors to achieve polio eradication
- We will use the voice of the foundation for advocacy
- Our investments will be coordinated with partners to support core and new activities that will optimize probability of success
- Our long-term efforts will be to build a sustainable immunization delivery system for polio, measles, new and under utilized vaccines

"The harsh mathematics of polio makes it clear: We cannot maintain a level of one thousand or two thousand cases a year. Either we eradicate polio, or we return to the days of tens of thousands of cases per year. That is no alternative at all. We don't let children die because it is fatiguing to save them. Our commitment as a foundation is to work with partners until no children die from polio." Bill Gates



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