**Vaccination Week in the Americas**

**24-30 APRIL**



**“Vaccines bring us closer. #GetVax”**

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NATIONAL PLAN 2021

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| **Vaccination Week in the Americas 2021****National Plan** ***Return to PAHO by 20 March 2021*** |
| **Country**  |  |
| *Summarize in a short paragraph how your country plans to celebrate VWA 2021* |
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| **Planned Launching Events** |
| Date | Presential/Virtual | Level (Local, National, International, etc.) | Invited guests (Government, UN agencies, civil society, celebrities, etc.) | Additional info (Platform used) |
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| **Campaign Specifics** |
| **Adapting the campaign** Please describe what steps, if any will the country take to adapt the VWA campaign, taking into account the global epidemiological situation, the COVID-19 pandemic and countries’ lockdown policies. (e.g. rearranging vaccination services, personal and community protective measures, vaccination in special and non-conventional places, specific messaging for the population regarding the importance of vaccines during the pandemic, etc.) |
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| **Sustaining the achievements** *Indicate if your country will carry out activities to protect achievements (e.g.: maintaining elimination of diseases, completion of childhood schedules, etc.), and then briefly describe plans the space below*  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Completing the unfinished agenda in order to prevent and control vaccine-preventable diseases***Indicate if your country will carry out activities to complete the unfinished agenda (e.g.: seasonal influenza prevention, elimination of neonatal tetanus, protection of occupational risk groups, hep. B elimination, etc.), and then briefly describe plans in the space below.* | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Strengthen health services for effective vaccine administration** *Indicate if your country will carry out activities to strengthen health services.* | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Vulnerable Population Group Activities***Indicate if your country will carry out activities to target vulnerable population groups, and then briefly describe the type of activities and the planned target groups in the space below.*  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Goals by Population***Please enter the targeted number of persons that you aim to vaccinate per age group.* |
| **0-12 months** | **1-4 years** | **<5 years** | **> 5 to 18 years** | **WCBAs Td** | **Adults** | **>60 years** | **High risk occupations** | **Health Care Workers** | **Others** | **TOTAL** |
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| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |

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| **Goals by Antigen***Please enter the targeted number of persons that you aim to vaccinate with each antigen.* |
| **COVID-19** | **Measles****Mumps Rubella (MMR)** | **Measles and Rubella (MR)** | **Polio bOPV** | **Polio****IPV** | **Yellow Fever** | **Influenza** | **Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis (DTP)** | **Diphtheria Tetanus** **(<7 yrs.)****(DT)** |
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| **Tetanus diphtheria (>7 yrs.)****(Td)** | **Haemophilus influenzae type b****(Hib)** | **Hepatitis B** | **Penta-valent** | **BCG** | **Rotavirus** | **Pneumo** | **HPV** | **Other** |
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| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |

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| **Vaccination goals for specific populations***Please enter the number of municipalities in which you plan to vaccinate specific populations (indigenous, afro-descendants and border areas)* |
| **Number of border municipalities** | **Number of municipalities where indigenous and afro-descendants live** |
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| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |
| **Number of individuals vaccinated living in at-risk municipalities (indigenous, afro-descendants)***Please enter the targeted number of persons that you aim to vaccinate per age group* |
| **0-12 months** | **1-4 years** | **<5 years** | **> 5 yo** | **WCBAs Td** | **Adults** | **>60 years** | **High risk occupations** | **Health Care Workers** | **Others** | **TOTAL** |
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| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |
| **Number of individuals vaccinated living in at-risk municipalities (border areas)***Please enter the targeted number of persons that you aim to vaccinate per age group* |
| **0-12 months** | **1-4 years** | **<5 years** | **> 5 yo** | **WCBAs Td** | **Adults** | **>60 years** | **High risk occupations** | **Health Care Workers** | **Others** | **TOTAL** |
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| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |

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| **COVID-19 Vaccination**  |
| ***During VWA 2021, one of the main focused will be in the introduction of the COVID-19 vaccines. VWA will give countries with an opportunity to use this platform to introduce, promote and reach their population with COVID-19 vaccines.***  |
| **Will your country use VWA 2021 to vaccinate people against COVID-19?** | Yes[ ]  | No [ ]  |
| *Indicate which methods will your country use to reach the population and which groups will be prioritize:* |
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| **Number of people planning on vaccinating** |
| Health Care Workers  | Other essential personel | Older adults | People with chronic diseases | Others | Total |
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| **Seasonal Flu Vaccination**  |
| ***VWA 2021 will focus on prioritizing influenza vaccination to prevent respiratory illness or hospitalizations caused by influenza in countries where the influenza season will begin, and thus supporting the response efforts of the COVID-19 pandemic.*** |
| *Indicate whether your country will prioritize influenza vaccination, which methods will be used to reach the population, which groups will you prioritize and how many people are you planning on vaccinating.*  | Yes[ ]  | No [ ]  |
| *Comment/Explanation (if needed):* |
| **Number of people planning on vaccinating** |
| Children under 5yo | Pregnant Women | People with chronic diseases | Older adults 60+ | Health Care Workers  | Others | Total |
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| **Measles Vaccination** |
| The history of VWA dates to a 2002 proposal by the Ministers of Health of the Andean Region, following the last indigenous measles outbreak in the Americas. This proposal called for a coordinated vaccination effort across national borders to reach vulnerable populations, put an end to the outbreak, and prevent future outbreaks. Today, the Region of the Americas is facing new measles outbreaks, after having been declared free of this disease in 2016. **VWA 2021 is a great opportunity for all the countries of the Region to do their part to end the current outbreaks of measles, protect their communities, and permanently eliminate the measles virus in the Americas.** |
| **Protect the achievement of measles elimination***Check yes or no to indicate if your country will carry out activities to protect the elimination of measles in your country. Describe activities below.*  |  Yes[ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| ***How many children will be vaccinated against measles?*** |  |
| ***What ages?*** |  |
| ***Will adults be vaccinated against measles?*** | Yes [ ]  No [ ]  |
| ***How many?*** |  |

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| **Social Mobilization and Communication Activities**  |
| Will your country use the Regional slogan, “Vaccines bring us closer. #GetVax”  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| Will your country develop other targeted messages/slogans? These can also include the adaptation of slogans into indigenous languages. Describe below. | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Will your country develop additional communicational/promotional materials (e.g.: brochures, posters, t-shirts, etc.)? Describe below.  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Will your country carry out activities to improve public awareness regarding the importance of immunization for good health? (e.g.: Webinars, forums, videos, other public awareness activities). Describe below. | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Will there be press releases for media attention? Please indicate if you will use/adapt the regional press note or prepare your own. Describe below.  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Will social media (Facebook/Twitter) be used to promote VWA in your country? Please indicate the accounts that will be used to share messages. Describe below.  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Will there be documentation of activities through photos, videos, and other audiovisual materials? | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| *PS. In the final report, we will request links to press coverage, JPGs or links of photos, and any video footage. Please make sure you collect written approval from individuals featured in these media.*  |

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| **Risk Communications and Community Engagement**  |
| Are you using VWA to promote messages on the following?  |  |  |
| 1) the safety of vaccines | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| 2) the effectiveness of vaccines | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| 3) how vaccines are developed | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| 4) in the case of COVID-19 vaccination, prioritized groups for vaccination | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| 5) challenges related to immunization | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
| Are you engaging in any social listening activities to monitor and address rumors and doubts about immunization? Please list/describe below: | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Are you training health care workers on interpersonal communication, including how to respond to rumors and doubts about immunization? Please describe below: | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| Are you using VWA to engage key stakeholders about immunization, including at the community level? Please describe below. (i.e.: collaboration with civil society organizations, religious leaders, professional and patient associations, and others) | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Integrated Activities**  |
| *Will your country involve integrated interventions (non-vaccination related) during VWA? (e.g.: COVID-19 prevention measures awareness, health screening, and health education). Please describe below the type of activity and targeted audience.*  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Evaluation Activities**  |
| *Countries are highly encouraged to undertake short surveys during VWA; a proposed template can be found on the website (see direct link below), followed by a model survey for evaluating VWA social communication campaigns (see direct link below).* |
| *Will your country do any evaluation activities for VWA? (e.g.: administration coverage, assessment of public satisfaction with vaccination, vaccine confidence, evaluation of VWA social communication campaigns, targeted coverage surveys). Describe below*  | Yes [ ]  | No [ ]  |
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| **Annexes***Please attach any additional information you would like to share.*  |
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| **FINANCING VWA**  |
| The majority of funding for Vaccination Week in the Americas comes through national funds. There are very limited funds available at the PAHO regional level. However, limited regional support can be provided for some activities in priority countries. If requested, please provide information below. If funding is available at the PAHO-country office level, please consider using these funds to finance activities.  |
| **Category** | **Estimated Total Cost** | **Financing Status** |
| **National MOH Funds** | **PAHO-Country Office Funds** | **Other** | **Requested support from PAHO-HQ** |
| Vaccines and Supplies |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cold Chain |  |  |  |  |  |
| Training |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operational Expenses |  |  |  |  |  |
| Supervision and Monitoring |  |  |  |  |  |
| Epidemiological Surveillance |  |  |  |  |  |
| Social Communication |  |  |  |  |  |
| Evaluation |  |  |  |  |  |
| Other |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |