Actions taken to maintain immunization/VPD surveillance performance following COVID-19 pandemic

Thailand
To maintain routine immunization/VPD surveillance, guidelines were released to the sub-national health authorities since early phase of the pandemic in 2020.

1) Recommendation for routine immunization session during COVID-19 pandemic (03/2020)
2) Recommendation for polio eradication in high risk areas during COVID-19 pandemic (04/2020)
3) Recommendation for measles and rubella elimination during COVID-19 pandemic (04/2020)
4) Recommendation for seasonal influenza immunization session during COVID-19 pandemic (02/2021)
5) Recommendation in the operating guideline for influenza and COVID-19 vaccine services (04/2021)
6) Recommendation for polio eradication during COVID-19 pandemic (05/2021)
7) Recommendation for influenza vaccination combined with COVID-19 vaccination (06/2021)
8) Disease definitions and guidelines for reporting dangerous communicable diseases and communicable diseases that must be monitored in Thailand (09/2020)
Polio vaccination campaign in Thailand

• Thailand plans to implement a campaigns to provide polio vaccination for 5 years (2020 – 2024) in high risk provinces, Which are 4 deep-south and 4 Thai-Myanmar border provinces.

4 deep-south provinces:
• Target population are Thai children < 5 years and Non-Thai < 15 years.
• Estimated target population are 171,963.
• Number of b-OPV needed are 500,000 doses.
• Timeline: July - August 2021

4 Thai-Myanmar border provinces:
• Target population are Thai children < 5 years and Non-Thai < 15 years in districts located along border.
• Estimated target population are 154,762.
• Number of b-OPV needed are 500,000 doses.
• Timeline: November - December 2021