

Review of: "Consequences of Neglecting Epidemiology by Global Polio Eradication Initiative"

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The conclusions of the authors on respiratory transmission of WPV, and role of IPV in poliovirus eradication are quite plausible but more studies are required to address grey areas.

It is obvious that more attention should be given to low IPV coverage in developing countries, especially in Pakistan, Afghanistan, and countries in southern Africa experiencing resurgence of WPV.

The GPEI should commit more resources to IPV campaigns to shore up gaps in routine immunization. IPV campaigns are very infrequent in developing countries, and yet key to poliovirus eradication. The high cost and logistics challenges of IPV campaign must be tackled to make IPV a ready tool in poliovirus eradication in poor countries.

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