



# GAZA POLIO CAMPAIGN UPDATE

6 SEPTEMBER 2024

## HIGHLIGHTS:

### Day 5 update

#### Central Gaza:

- ✓ Day 5: additional coverage of children who were unvaccinated during phase 1 in Deir al Balah: **4037\***
- ✓ Total number of children under ten years of age vaccinated in central Gaza: **193 598\***

#### Southern Gaza:

- ✓ Number of children under ten years of age vaccinated on Day 1: **161 188\*** (8793 from Rafah and 152 395 from Khan Younis)\*.

#### Total:

- ✓ Total number of children under ten years of age vaccinated for central Gaza and southern Gaza: **354 786\***
- ✓ Families from across southern Gaza were enthusiastic to have their children vaccinated.

*\*preliminary data, subject to updates*

### Day 5 update (Day 1, phase 2 of campaign, southern Gaza)



Number of teams deployed: **534**



**91 fixed site teams, 400 mobile teams (including 16 transit teams) and 42 special teams**, with **134 teams** mobilized from central Gaza and **20 reserve teams** that are on standby.



**151 team supervisors** have been deployed to support the teams.



**270 social mobilizers**, supported by **26 social mobilization supervisors**, have been operational over the last two days.



**Vaccination teams** replenished vaccine stock in some locations due to high demand. Teams will be allocated additional vaccines in the coming days to avoid depletion.



**Cold chain equipment** and all necessary supplies were successfully distributed to key points in southern Gaza.



**7 fixed vaccination sites** (5 in South and East Khan Younis and 2 in Rafah) have been deployed for additional locations that require special coordination.

### Preparations for phase 3 of the campaign in northern Gaza:

Planning for phase 3 in northern Gaza is underway. On 7 and 8 September 2024, the focus will be largely on providing support to social mobilizers to raise awareness around the campaign dates, health facilities offering vaccines and benefits of vaccines.

#### NOTE:

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