



MONGOLIA

HPV VACCINATION PROGRAMME LANDSCAPE

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Programme Status

- State Great Hural Resolution No.52 of 2020, “Action Plan for 2021-2030 of Mongolia’s Long-term Development Policy “Vision-2050”
- Government Resolution No. 203 of 2020, “Implementation Plan of the Action Plan of the Government of Mongolia for 2020-2024”
- Law on Immunization (amended on October 27, 2023)
- “The National Immunization Programme” for HPV mandatory vaccination (updated by the Government Resolution No. 472, dated December 27, 2023)

Implementation Strategy

- Established a working group assigned with missions to integrate HPV vaccine to the existing immunization programme and coordinate advocacy efforts (HM Order No. A/32 of 2024)
- Approved “Integration Plan of Vaccination against HPV for 2024-2025”

Objectives:

- Establishing a legal framework to facilitate HPV vaccination of the target-age group children through temporary vaccination sites at schools
- Developing and delivering the educational content on prevention of cervical cancer and other cancers caused by HPV, and the role of HPV vaccine in preventing these diseases
- Training health professionals involved in the prevention of cervical cancer and other cancers caused by HPV, and HPV vaccine administration

Best practices

Preparing for the introduction of HPV vaccines

Translated recommendations and distributed as a manual for the trainers, students, and health care workers.

Organized a training. Over 120 people attended the training, including the head of the Public Health Division of the Health Department in 21 provinces and 9 district health centers in Ulaanbaatar, experts on immunization, the concerned junior doctors on cold chain management, general pediatrics and health education and promotion specialists (see, Figure 2).

Organized a training entitled “Enhancing Interpersonal Communication Skills in HPV Immunization Services (EICSHPVIS).” The training was designed for preparing the national-level instructors (see, Figure 3).

Figure 2. Training



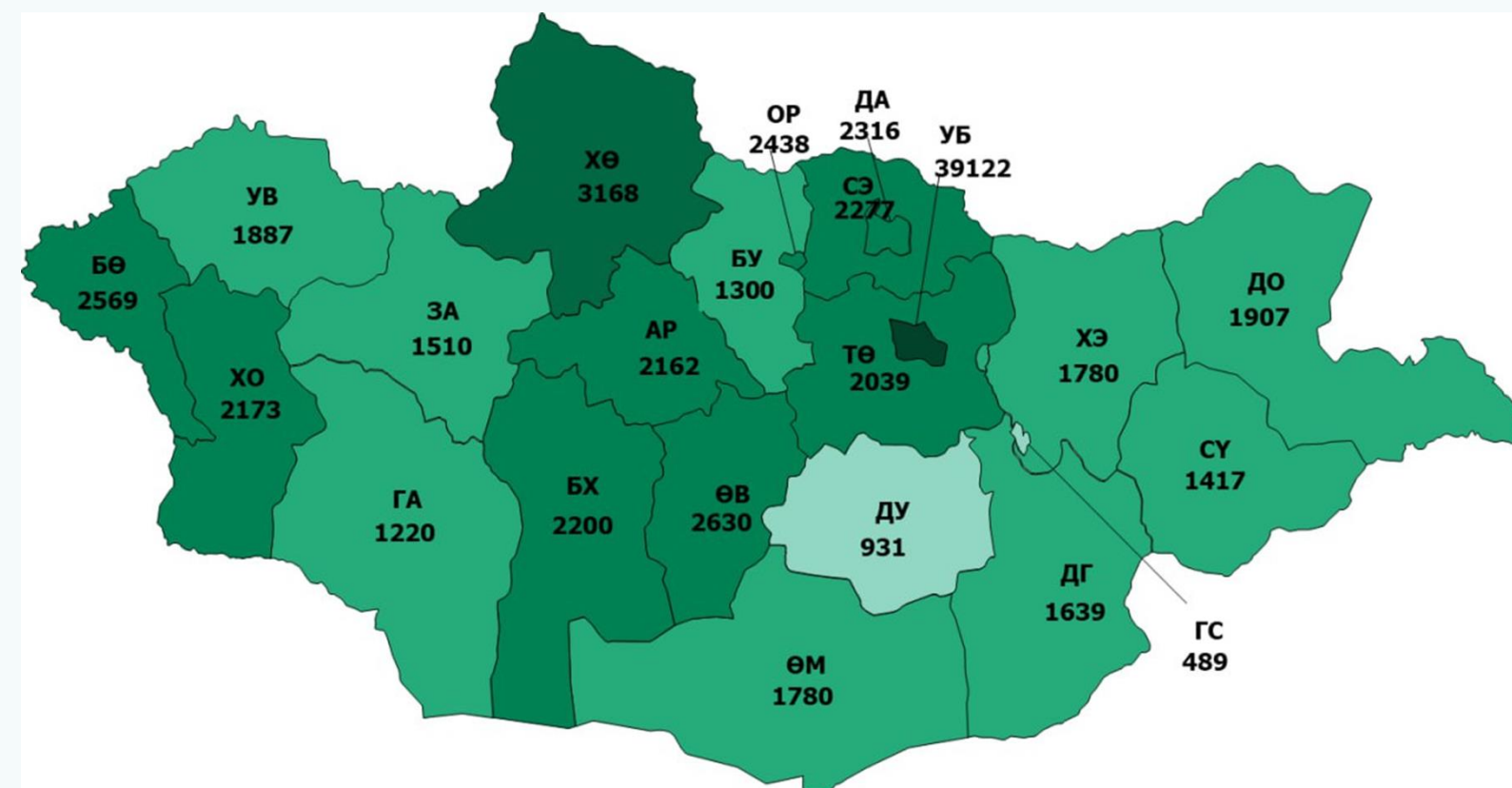
Figure 3. EICSHPVIS



Coverage

The target number of children is 78,963. It aims for at least 75% vaccination coverage, corresponding to 59,222 children of the eligible target (See, Figure 1).

Figure 1. Number of eligible children for immunization, by province



Dosing Schedule

HPV vaccine products: 4vHPV

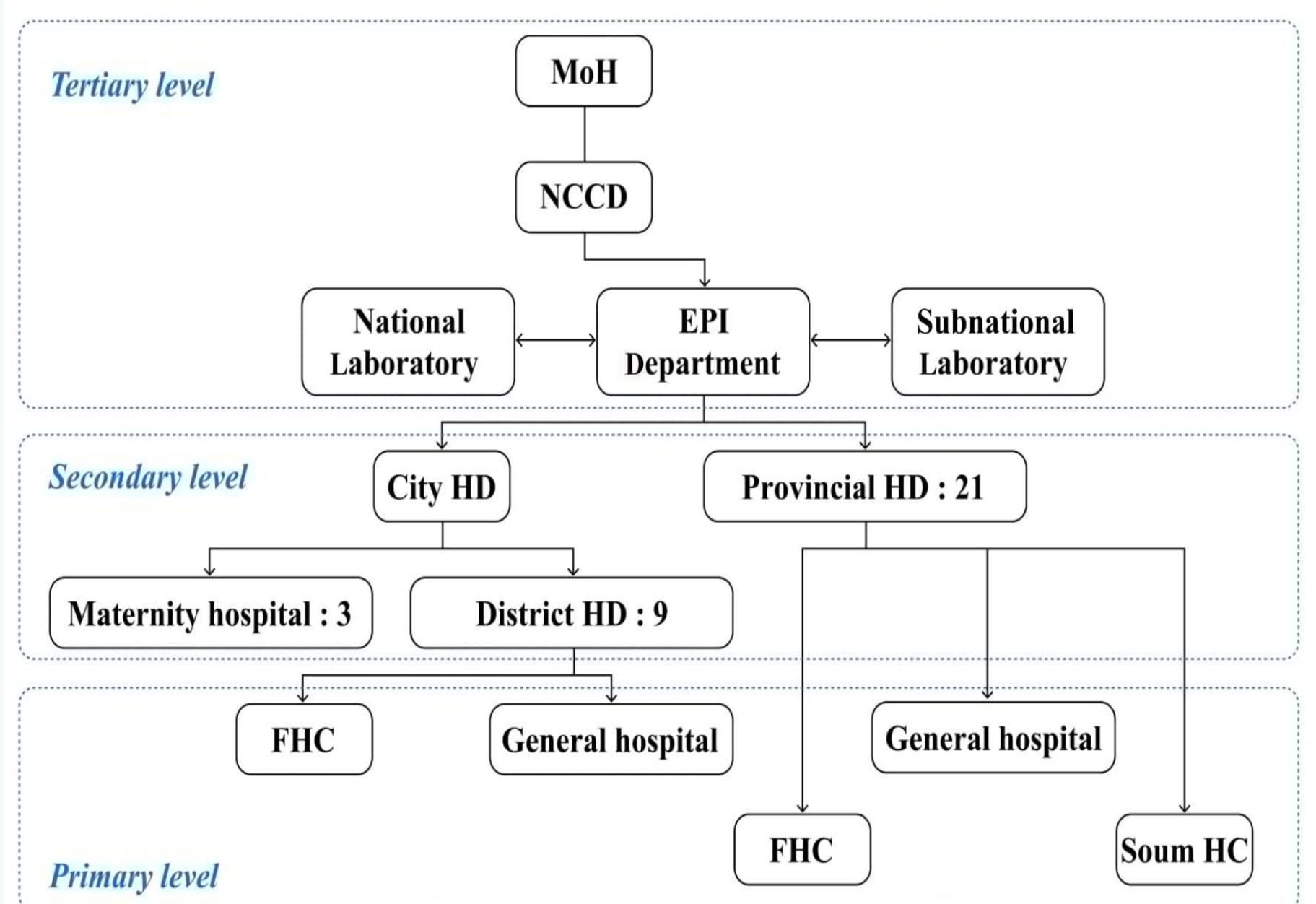
A one-dose schedule for preteens at age of 11 years

Mongolia purchased 90,000 doses of HPV vaccine (Gardasil vaccine) through UNICEF in 2024.

HPV vaccination is scheduled to be conducted in the third quarter 2024, focusing on counties (soum), Family Health Centers and schools.

There are 614 immunization units across 21 provinces (aimag) and 9 districts (duureg) of Ulaanbaatar city (see, Scheme 1).

Scheme 1. Immunization units



Barriers

“Human Papilloma Virus Vaccination”, the order of the Health Minister of Mongolia, was issued 2011. Starting from March 2012, the HPV vaccine was administered in 2 provinces and 2 districts of Ulaanbaatar to prevent cervical cancer.

However, negative news on the vaccine spread through media outlets, and due to the opposition of parents, HPV vaccine administration ended.

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