

**Strategy 2.2.4:** Develop laboratory assays to establish vaccine causation and/or risk factors for vaccine-associated adverse events.

**Objective 2.3 Ensure the Optimal Use of Vaccines**

**Strategy 2.3.1:** Ensure that health care providers have product information that clearly and effectively communicates instructions on use, warnings, and precautionary information so that vaccines will be administered in the safest and most effective manner.

**Strategy 2.3.2:** Evaluate safety and effectiveness of vaccines in specific populations and assess the potential for altered safety and efficacy.

**Strategy 2.3.3:** Ensure that adequate studies are conducted to use vaccines in various combinations, simultaneous administration, or alternative schedules.

**Strategy 2.3.4:** When controlled evaluations establish an association of adverse events with vaccination, use these data to determine risk factors.

**Objective 2.4 Continue to Ensure Fair and Efficient Compensation to Individuals Injured by Vaccines**

**Strategy 2.4.1:** Ensure the viability of the National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (NVICP) through adequate funding to process claims promptly.

**Strategy 2.4.2:** Ensure that the NVICP Vaccine Injury Table is updated periodically to reflect the latest scientific knowledge (as a basis for compensation).

**Strategy 2.4.3:** Ensure that new vaccines recommended for universal immunization are covered under the NVICP.

**Objective 2.5 Promote and Support the Efforts of the World Health Organization (WHO) to Develop and Harmonize International Standards and Improve Regulatory Capabilities in Countries Involved in Vaccine Production**

**Strategy 2.5.1:** Support WHO efforts to establish, test, and distribute reference material for new vaccines.

**Strategy 2.5.2:** Provide direct technical assistance, as necessary.

**GOAL 3 BETTER EDUCATE THE PUBLIC AND MEMBERS OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONS ON THE BENEFITS AND RISKS OF IMMUNIZATIONS**

There are five objectives for this goal:

**Objective 3.1 Increase Public Demand for Immunization, Especially Among Populations at Risk of Underimmunization**

**Strategy 3.1.1:** Stimulate public-, private-, and voluntary-sector initiatives to provide information and educational materials designed (1) to increase the individual's and general population's knowledge about immunization and (2) to create demand for age-appropriate immunization.

**Strategy 3.1.2:** Develop special initiatives for populations at risk of underimmunization.