



Her Excellency, Salome Zourabichvili
President of Georgia
Tbilisi, Georgia

2 September 2019

Your Excellency,

Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance, and the Global Fund have the pleasure to invite you to be a speaker at our joint side event, "Putting the U in UHC – Financing for the Furthest Left Behind", taking place in the margins of the 74th session of the United Nations General Assembly. The event will be held on 22 September, 18:00 to 20:00 hrs. (EDT) in the Madison Ball Room at the Westin Hotel, New York.

Despite the huge strides the world has made in the last two decades in improving the health and wellbeing of an unprecedented portion of its population, national averages hide millions of individuals who are disadvantaged, vulnerable and lack access to health services or therapeutic goods. These communities of invisible and vulnerable populations are yet to benefit from the gains made and bear the brunt of new threats from climate change, population growth, migration, urbanization, vaccine hesitancy, or antimicrobial resistance.

One of the most effective ways to reach the Agenda 2030 is to improve the generation, efficient allocation, and impact of funds for health. This implies ensuring key areas, including primary health care and critical public goods such as health services and products are adequately funded. And leaving no-one behind means prioritizing those furthest left behind.

Gavi and the Global Fund, will host a targeted discussion on reaching invisible populations through sustainable financing under the UHC umbrella. We would be honored by your participation in this panel discussion along with other esteemed high-level representatives of Global Fund and Gavi partners.

Attached you will find the concept for your kind perusal. RSVPs can be addressed to Hamzah Zekrya at hzekrya@gavi.org.

Please accept, your Excellency the assurance of our highest consideration.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Seth Berkley".

Seth Berkley, M.D.
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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Peter Sands".

Peter Sands
Executive Director - The Global Fund