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Five steps to urgently advance COVID-19 vaccine equity

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SUPPORT COUNTRY READINESS:

Partner with governments on COVID-19 vaccine deployment, particularly in low- and lower-middle income countries, to ensure that they are ready and able to deploy available doses within their shelf life;

Mitigate the risks to the production and deployment of other vaccines that remain vital to public health worldwide.

DRIVE FURTHER INNOVATION:

Prioritize the development of new COVID-19 vaccines, including vaccines effective against variants of concern;

Urge governments to guarantee unhindered access to pathogens (e.g. samples and sequences) of any COVID-19 variants to support the development of new vaccine and treatments.

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About

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The Biotechnology Innovation Organization (BIO) is the world's largest trade association



The research-based pharmaceutical industry's 2 million employees research, develop and provide medicines and vaccines that improve the life of patients worldwide. Based in Geneva, IFPMA has official relations with the United Nations and contributes industry expertise to help the global health community find solutions that improve global health.

The Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) represents the biopharmaceutical research companies, which are devoted to discovering and developing medicines that enable patients to live longer, healthier and more