The Global Polio Eradication Initiative (GPEI) is committed to monitoring and addressing gender-related barriers in immunization, surveillance and communications activities to ensure all girls and boys are reached with life-saving polio vaccines.

THE GPEI CONTINUOUSLY TRACKS AND MONITORS:

- Total number of girls and boys reached in house-to-house vaccination campaigns in polio-endemic countries.
- Total number of doses of polio vaccines received by girls and boys.
- Timeliness of disease surveillance by gender (difference between date of onset of paralysis and date of notification by caregivers for girls vs. boys).
- Women’s participation in immunization activities in polio-endemic countries.

ENSURING THAT:

- Girls and boys are equally immunized and protected against polio.
- From the onset of paralysis, there are no avoidable delays in bringing girls and boys to the clinic.
- Women are able to actively participate as vaccinators and social mobilizers in polio vaccination campaigns.

For more information: www.polioeradication.org/gender