

The Immunization Strategy for Underprivileged Children in a Certain Charity in the Northern Region, 2017

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Abstract

As the increase of foreign workers or spouses escaping, overstaying and unmarried pregnancy, the number of non-national underprivileged children gradually increases. Some of these children were settled in charities which were not legally registered. Outbreaks occurred frequently in these charities because of lack of funds, human resources, appropriate preventive measures and health surveillance, and not following current immunization schedule to receive recommended vaccines. In response to the control of probable outbreaks of pertussis and upper respiratory tract infections in a certain charity in the northern region, we shared the government intervening actions and immunization strategy, including the establishment of check-in mechanism and the distribution process of the children's health booklet, and improvement of children identification method and immunization reminder systems. These strategies were used to improve the immunization coverage in the charity, and as a reference for the relevant organizations. We expect that all charities work together to safeguard the health rights of underprivileged children.

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