



# Fact Sheet

## At A Glance

### CURRENT REACH

157 countries

### FY 2017 REVENUE

\$2.6 billion (including in-kind donations of medicines)

### PROGRAMS

African Health Workforce Project  
Center for Vaccine Equity  
Children Without Worms  
Global Partnership for Zero Leprosy  
International Trachoma Initiative  
Mectizan Donation Program  
MedSurplus Alliance  
Neglected Tropical Diseases Support Center  
Partnership for Influenza Vaccine Introduction  
Public Health Informatics Institute  
TEPHINET

### MAJOR FUNDERS

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
GlaxoSmithKline  
Johnson & Johnson  
Merck  
Pfizer  
U.K. Department for International Development  
U.S. Agency for International Development  
World Health Organization

### STAFF SIZE

131

The Task Force for Global Health is a nongovernmental organization that solves large-scale health problems affecting vulnerable populations. Our programs focus on controlling and eliminating debilitating diseases and building sustainable systems that protect and promote health.

Much of our work focuses on eliminating a group of infectious diseases called neglected tropical diseases that burden people in 40 developing countries. We also are helping eradicate polio and strengthening global preparedness for influenza pandemics.

In addition to disease control and elimination, we assist countries in building their health systems. We support training programs for frontline health workers in how to detect and respond to disease outbreaks and help countries use information to improve health outcomes.

### Partnerships Are Essential to Solving Global Health Problems

We use a powerful collaborative model to mobilize resources and expertise, identify synergies, and build the consensus necessary to address large-scale health issues. We currently serve as the secretariat or hub for eight major global health coalitions. As a neutral convener, we promote high levels of collaborative action among our coalition partners. Our pharmaceutical partners donate significant quantities of vaccines, anti-biotic and antiparasitic medicines valued at billions of dollars annually. As an Emory University affiliate, we also benefit from the close association with a top-tier research institution.

### Recipient of the 2016 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize

In 2016, we received the prestigious Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize in recognition of our extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering. This \$2-million award was presented after an extensive evaluation of our record of impact, scientific excellence, innovation, and fiscal stewardship. Only one recipient is named each year.

### Future Directions

We have experienced strong and growing demand for our services in recent years. In 2018, we launched a new partnership to eliminate leprosy and are exploring a program in viral hepatitis elimination. Bringing home our global health expertise, we also are planning a new health improvement initiative in DeKalb County, GA, focused on addressing social determinants of health that contribute to poor health outcomes.

### Why Are We Called The Task Force for Global Health?

The Task Force was founded in 1984 as a temporary organization to work on a specific global health problem—low childhood vaccination rates in developing countries. Our founder Dr. Bill Foege, who was the architect of smallpox eradication, believed we should continue to work only for as long as our services are needed. But we have endured because of demand for our collaborative and scientific expertise in solving large-scale health problems.