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Status of PolioPlus

Rotary District 7630 has a tremendous history of supporting Rotary's PolioPlus efforts to eradicate polio worldwide.

To say we are "This Close" has never meant more today than ever before. 2014 and 2015 saw a number of milestones reached to "End Polio Now":

- **India & all of SE Asia (home to a quarter of the world's population) was declared "Eradicated" in 2014....3 years polio free.**
- **Nigeria was declared polio free for one year and taken off the endemic list in 2015...making all of Africa one year polio free.**
- **Type 2 polio virus was declared eradicated in 2015. Type 3 should be declared eradicated in the near future.**
- **2015 saw only 74 cases of wild polio vs 359 cases in 2014....the lowest in recorded history.**
- **156 countries have introduced the inactivated polio vaccine (IPV), into their routine immunization systems. The IPV is made of a dead polio virus that cannot cause polio from the vaccine. This switch means that 81% of children born in the world are receiving IPV. All countries are expected to introduce IPV by the end of 2016.**
- **Between 17 April and 1 May 2016, every country in the world using the oral polio vaccine, which is made from the live virus and does cause some cases of polio, will switch from the trivalent vaccine (TOPV), which protects children against all three types of the virus, to the bivalent vaccine which protects children against type one and three because type 2 polio virus was declare eradicated late last year.**
- **Rotary's PolioPlus program has created an infrastructure throughout the world that will help eradicate/prevent other diseases in the future like Malaria, Ebola and Zika (among others).**
- **Rotary has helped prevent more than 15 million cases of Polio....avoiding 1 Million Deaths.**
- **As of 4/12/2016, there have been only 10 cases of wild polio in the world; two in Afghanistan and 8 in Pakistan compared to 22 cases this time last year.**

Year-To-Date, Rotary District 7630 has contributed \$75,008.01 to PolioPlus (DDF Funds not included)

With Gates matching monies = \$ 225,024.03

Which can purchase more than 350,000 polio vaccines.

**Respectfully submitted,
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Rotary District 7630 PolioPlus Chair**

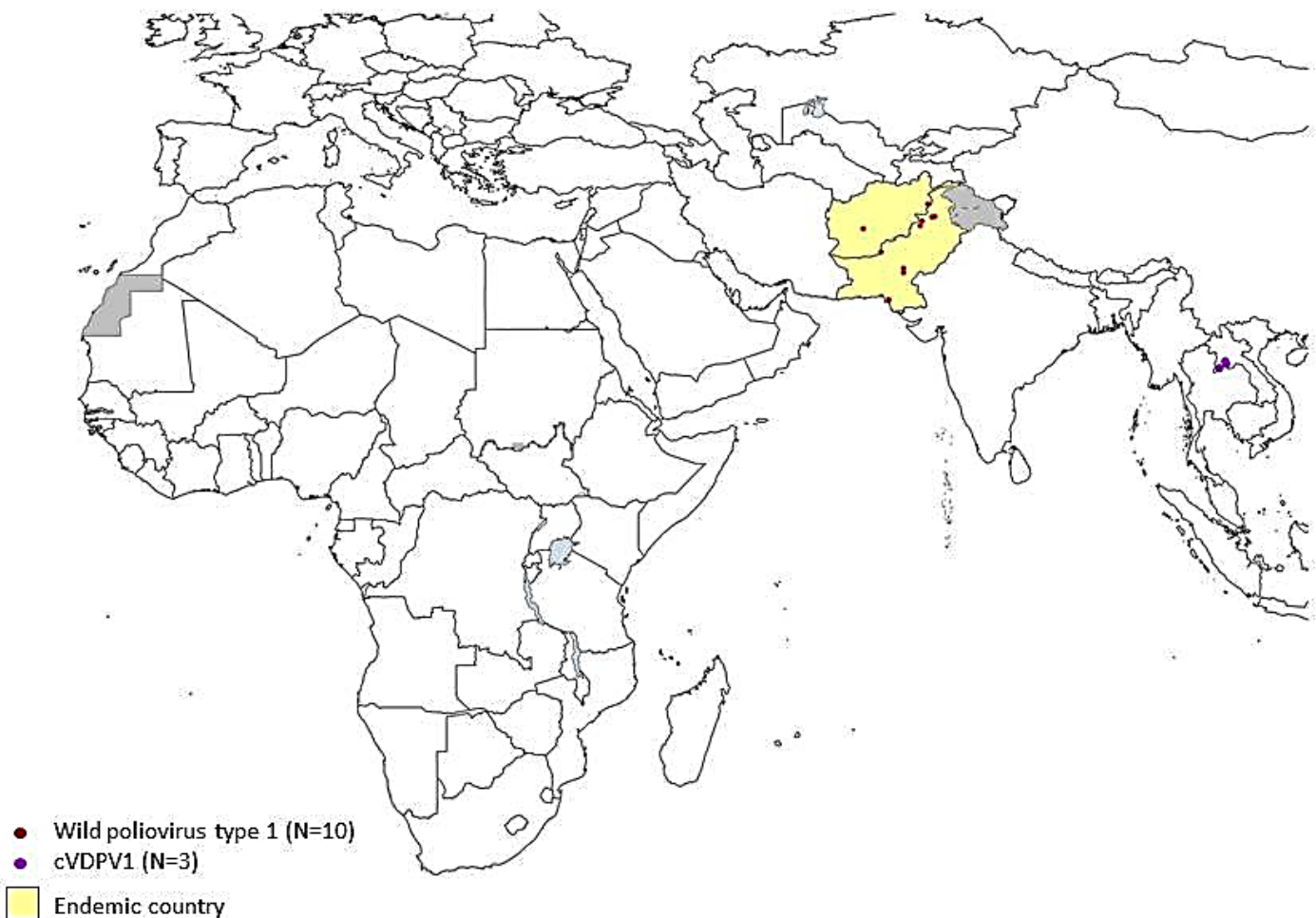
The Global Polio Eradication Initiative is a public-private partnership led by national governments and spearheaded by the World Health Organization (WHO), Rotary International, the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the United Nations Children’s Fund (UNICEF). Its goal is to eradicate polio worldwide.

BeyondPolio is dedicated to assisting the global effort to eradicate polio by educating the public on the polio disease and empowering the heroes that make a difference.

The Jonas Salk Legacy Foundation is dedicated to preserving and extending the contributions of one of society’s great scientists and humanitarians. It does so by helping to organize and make available the collection of Jonas Salk’s papers and historical artifacts, participating in and assisting with educational programs and projects, and exploring continued application of his scientific and philosophical vision towards solution of ongoing problems confronting humanity.

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Wild Poliovirus & cVDPV Cases¹, 2016
01 January – 12 April



¹Excludes viruses detected from environmental surveillance.

Data in WHO HQ as of 12 April 2016