Support for typhoid conjugate vaccines in Malawi

"Most of the children that attend this school come from areas where sanitation is a problem, so the vaccine will help decrease absenteeism in classes and will also help the pupils to concentrate in their lessons."

- Ngina Chiwanga (Teacher)

"My children will be protected from this disease [typhoid]. Even though they may get infected, [I hope] it will not be as not be as serious compared to if they are not vaccinated."

- Triza Silva (Parent)





"My neighbor's child had typhoid which was found late and the child developed complications and died. I can't wait for my children to get the typhoid vaccine."

- Mrs. Tembo (Parent)

"I'm very happy because [the vaccine] is prevention rather than cure."

- Mrs. C. Phiri (Parent)

"I was not feeling well and was given malaria treatment but I did not get better and it took 3 weeks for them to find out that I had typhoid. I know how painful it is when you have this disease."

- Fortunate Kachepa (Parent)



"My brother once suffered from typhoid fever some years back so I happily accept the typhoid vaccine for my child."

- Abigail Kanyongolo (Parent)

"The coming of the typhoid vaccine will help to prevent typhoid fever in the future."

- Mrs. Mawro (Teacher)



"People used to suffer silently thinking it's malaria. Now I have the knowledge and understanding that the signs of malaria and typhoid fever are similar. People will benefit a lot from the typhoid vaccine in preventing the disease."

- Mercy Dumani (Teacher)

Typhoid in Malawi:

- 16,000+ cases per year and increasing.
- A newly recommended typhoid conjugate vaccine (TCV) offers long-lasting protection, is suitable for children 6 months of age and older, and can reduce the need for antibiotic treatment.
- A TCV has World Health Organization approval and is eligible for Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance funding.



