BRIGHT SPOT FAQS

Which bright spots will be documented in further detail?
The Foundation is collecting all bright spots to better understand where and what successes are happening in routine immunization. In addition, we, as appropriate and in our discretion, may follow up on a small number of stories to learn in greater depth—the choice of these stories will be based on relevance and practical considerations.

When will I hear back?
Submissions cannot be acknowledged or returned, and we disclaim responsibility for late, lost, or misdirected submissions. You may want to save a copy of your story before submission.

What are the benefits of submitting a bright spot story?
The bright spot effort is not a competition but simply an effort to collect publicly available information illuminating routine immunization and in certain cases delve into the stories for increased insight. There are no direct benefits to submitting a story, aside from the knowledge that you are contributing to the goal of improving immunization systems.

How will you use the bright spot stories?
Each story submitted will inform the breadth of programs and successes in routine immunization. We may in our discretion follow up with submitters to verify and inquire about submissions. What we learn from this call for bright spots and any follow up we engage in may be shared in some cases publicly (both through individual stories and in aggregate), but will not include personal data unless written authorization is provided by the story subjects and pertinent stakeholders in the discretion of the Foundation and its Related Parties.

In-depth stories may also be shared broadly across a variety of mediums (e.g., newsletters, tweets, presentations, blog posts, features), with prior written authorization and execution of a release, license and indemnification for the submission from the story subjects and pertinent stakeholders.

Who is eligible to submit a story?
Anyone can submit a story, from country Expanded Program on Immunization (EPI) staff and managers, to Ministries of Health, to global partners. It does not matter who submits the story—whether you submit a story about a program you were involved with or whether a colleague submits a story about you. All stories regardless of who submits it will help inform the breadth of programs and successes in routine immunization. We are interested in a wide range of stories, regardless of existing level of documentation or measurement of results, but we are seeking factually accurate stories that are not confidential or proprietary to anyone and that you have the ability and authority to share with us.