

GiveWell

Welcome to our summer NYC event!

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A young child receives deworming treatment in Chhattisgarh, India || *Photo credit: Evidence Action*

Agenda

- Introduction
- Our focus on impact and maximizing well-being
- Updates from:
 - Top Charities Fund
 - All Grants Fund
- Partnering with Evidence Action and CHAI

GiveWell's origin

GiveWell started with a simple question: *Where should I donate?*

Since 2007, GiveWell has moved over \$1 billion to highly-effective charities and we expect these donations to save over 150,000 lives.

GiveWell's founders



Holden Karnofsky



Elie Hassenfeld

GiveWell's approach



Photo credit to: Malaria Consortium/Sophie Garcia

- Focus on impact and cost-effectiveness
- Global health and poverty alleviation
- Small number of recommendations
- Thinking at the margin

A child in Burkina Faso (above) swallowing dispersed SPAQ, a preventative anti-malarial medication (right) that will protect them from malaria during the rainy season.



Modeling cost-effectiveness

Simplified model of how \$4,500 averts one death in Guinea

[row 1]	Delivered 1,001 nets	The all-in cost of purchasing and delivering a net is \$4.50
[row 2]	795 nets are in use	From evidence we've seen from charities, we estimate that around 79% of nets delivered are used in practice
[row 3]	1,431 people sleep under the nets	On average, 1.8 people sleep under each malaria net
[row 4]	12 of those people are expected to die every year (of any cause)	The impact of a net depends on the baseline mortality rate. Evidence suggests that about 12 out of 1,431 people in this group would die annually of any cause (including malaria)
[row 5]	1.3 lives saved by the net distribution	The 23 academic studies we've synthesized on the effectiveness of malaria nets suggest that this distribution will reduce annual deaths of people covered by these nets from 12 to around 11.4. We multiply this 0.6 reduction by 2.1 years, which is how long we model a net to last
[row 6]	1 life saved after accounting for effects on other funders	Donations can impact the behavior of other funders. Here, we expect that this donation will cause other funders to shift a bit of their funding elsewhere and so we reduce our modeled impact by 30% to estimate that \$4,500 saves one life

GiveWell's top charities

Malaria prevention



malaria
consortium

Vitamin A
supplementation



Incentives for
childhood vaccination



Top Charities Fund

Photo credit: New Incentives



- Most recent allocation to New Incentives
- \$11.1 million grant
 - Expected to save over 2,200 lives

All Grants Fund

Recent grantees

- Suvita: increasing vaccine uptake in India
- Sightsavers: deworming support in neglected areas of DRC
- MiracleFeet's clubfoot treatment program: funding enhanced evaluation

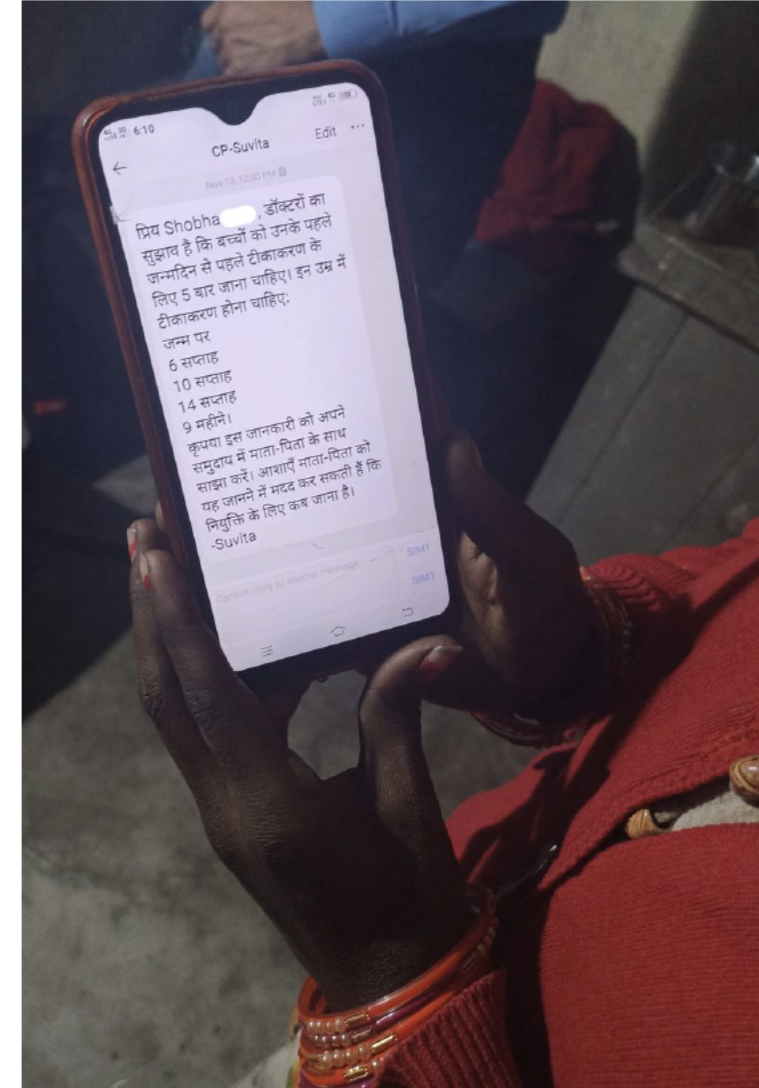


Photo credit: Suvita

Immunization ambassador Shobha showing on her phone an SMS message she received from Suvita, which details the ages at which children are due for vaccinations between birth and their 1st birthday

GiveWell + Partnerships

- Our research process
- Sometimes we identify promising programs but there is no obvious organizational partner to scale up and test
- Goal with partnerships: to support the creation of future top charities and grantees



Evidence Action Accelerator



- Long-standing relationship with GiveWell
- How the Accelerator works:
 - Stage 1 - Screening
 - Stage 2 - Rapid review
 - Stage 3 - Deep dive
 - Stage 4 - Scope and design
 - Stage 5 - Launch
 - Stage 6 - Test at scale

Evidence Action Accelerator

Accelerator has led to several exciting grants, including:

- Dispensers for Safe Water
- In-line water chlorination



In-line chlorine dispenser. Source: Evidence Action.

CHAI Incubator

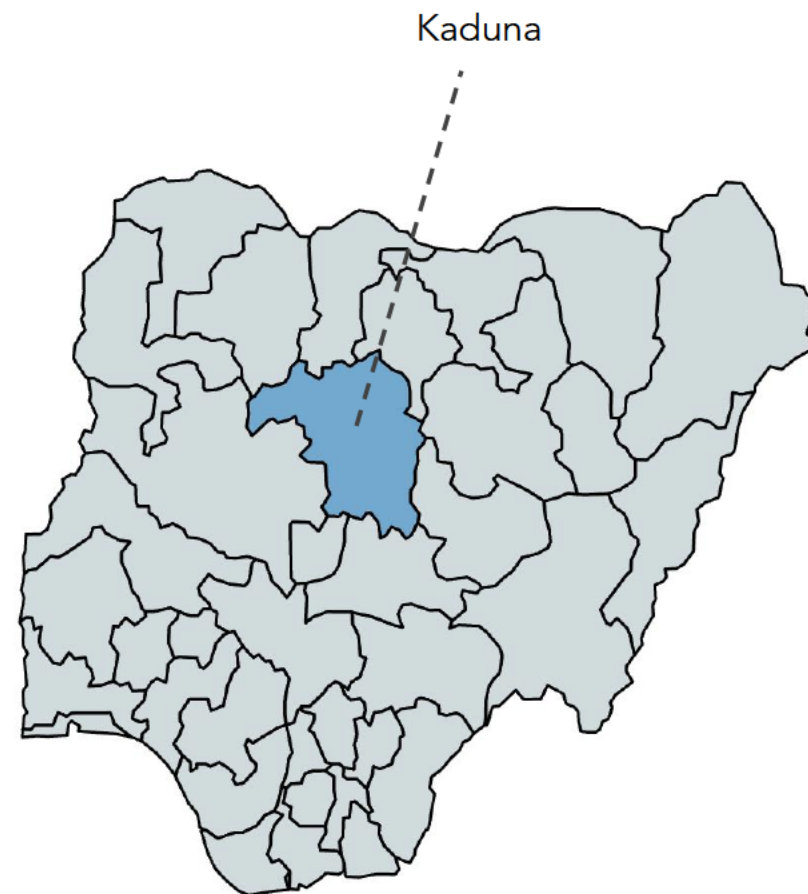


- Clinton Health Access Initiative (CHAI): large footprint, well-established in health space
- How the Incubator works:
 - Stage 1 - Sourcing
 - Stage 2 - Desktop review
 - Stage 3 - Country review
 - Stage 4 - Small-scale pilot testing
 - Stage 5 - Further study and large-scale implementation

CHAI Incubator

Investigations in progress:

- Many programs in stages 1-3 (scoping and review)
- Stage 4: Malaria treatment (ACT), small-scale pilot ongoing in Kaduna state, Nigeria



Map of Nigeria

Takeaways

- These types of partnerships are valuable
- Enable funding things we wouldn't otherwise fund
- Benefits of working closely with researchers in other organizations to iterate on program ideas
- Work together to refine program targeting and consider best sources of evidence
- Excited to see what's ahead!





A mother and child wait at a clinic in Jigawa while a Routine Immunization Provider prepares paperwork before administering the infant's routine childhood immunizations || *Photo credit: New Incentives*

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