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Targeted Vaccination Programs

S.M.A.R.T Goals

- S – Specific
- M – Measurable
- A – Achievable
- R – Relevant
- T – Time-Based



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Healthcare VS Humanitarian Assistance



‘maintaining and restoration of health by the treatment and prevention of disease especially by trained and licensed professionals’

-Merriam-Webster Dictionary



‘is designed to save lives, alleviate suffering and maintain human dignity during, and in the aftermath of, conflict, disasters and other humanitarian crises’

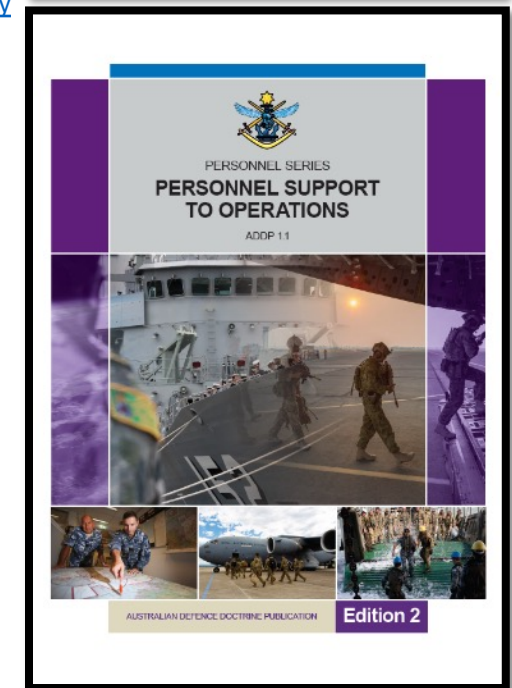
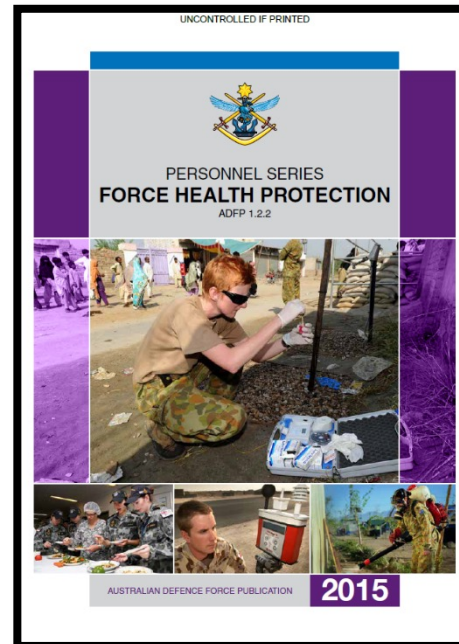
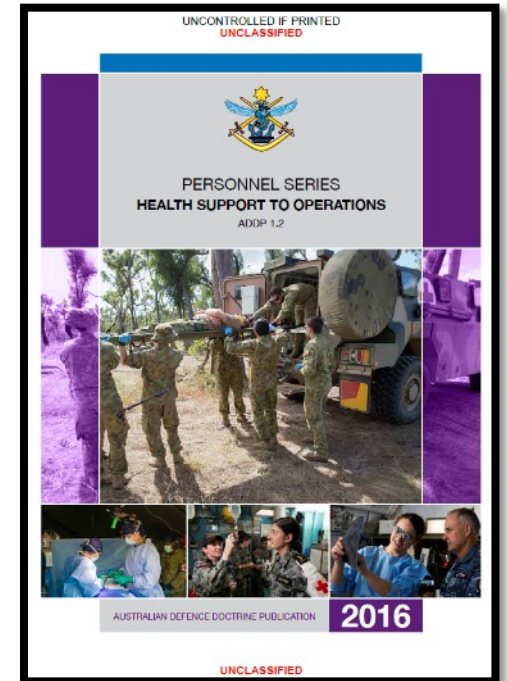
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POLICY

- ADF-I-3 Stabilisation and Humanitarian Operations
- ADF-I-3 Civil-Military Interaction
- ADDP-1-1 Personnel Support to Operations
- ADDP-1-2 Health Support to Operations
- ADFP-1-2-2 Force Health Protection
- ADF-P-0 Military Ethics
- OSLO Guidelines

[Pages - ADF Doctrine Library](#)



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Defence Strategic Review 2023



- Deepening of our diplomatic and defence partnerships with key partners in the Indo-Pacific.
- The Defence Strategic Review, and the Government's response, is about maintaining peace, security and prosperity in our region.
- We support the strategic direction and key findings set out in the Review, which will strengthen our national security and ensure our readiness for future challenges.

- *Prime Minister of Australia, the Hon. Anthony Albanese MP*





MEASLES ALERT



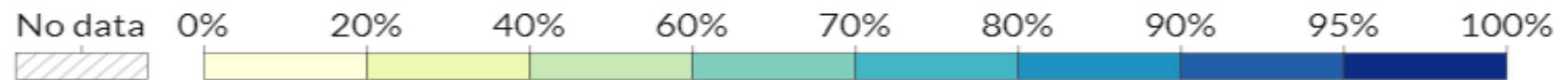
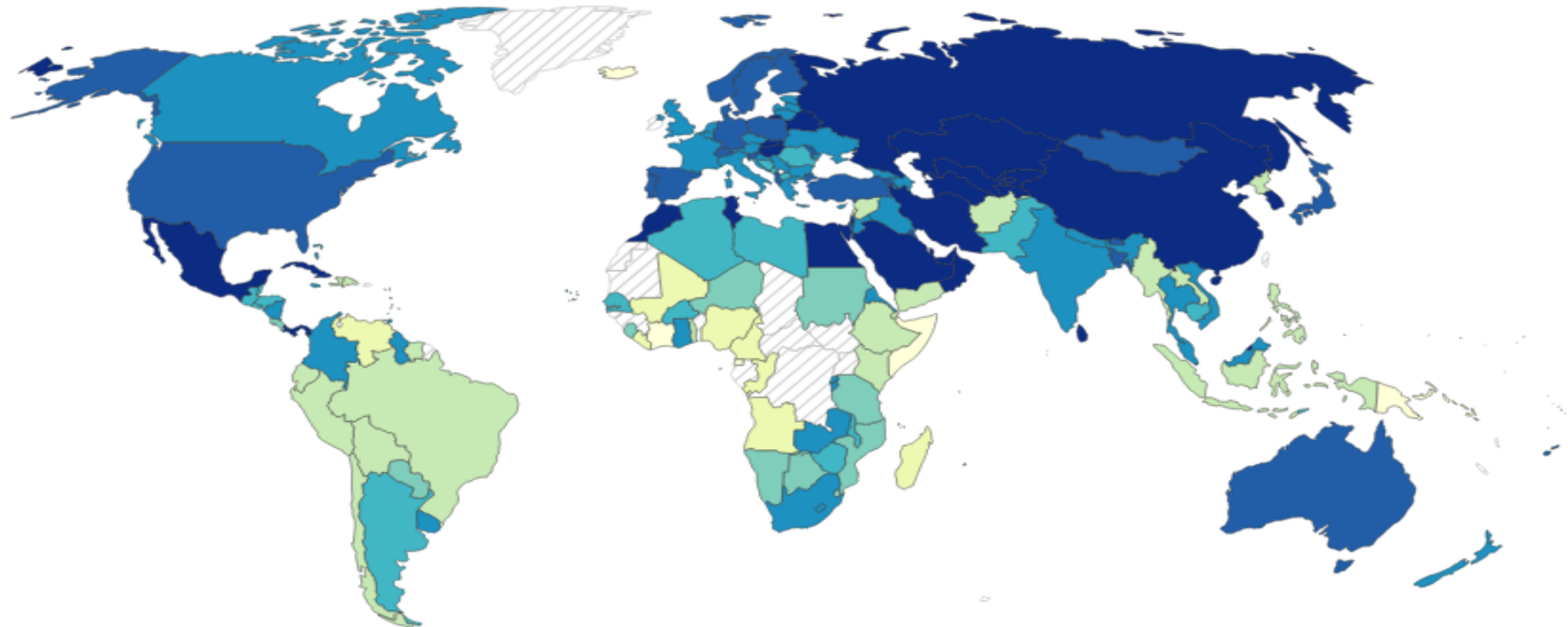
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Share of children fully vaccinated against measles, 2021

Share of children who have received the second dose of the measles vaccine (MCV2).

Our World
in Data

World



Source: WHO; UNICEF (2022)

Note: Measles is a highly contagious viral disease, most common in young children. Its effects include blindness, inflammation of the brain, severe diarrhea, and severe respiratory infections such as pneumonia. Recommended child's age for MCV2 vaccination varies by country.

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<https://www.cdc.gov/smallpox/history/history.html>
<https://www.cdc.gov/smallpox/history/smallpox-origin.html>


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Conclusion



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Any Questions?



Boromir (2001), from Lord of the Rings: Fellowship of the Ring, on population health in capability development activities

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Notes:

- OSLO Guidelines in 1994
- AUSMAT formed in 2004 after the Bali bombing in 2002 (? Issues with ADF entering Indonesia)
- NITAG – national Immunisation Technical Advisory Groups advice should be sort in the host nations as they have the expertise and knowledge of the local systems and national structure
- Humanitarian Principles: Humanity, impartiality, Neutrality, Independence, ICRC also add voluntary.
- 2 types of Red Cross
 - Protective used in conflict to state that the Geneva convention is being followed...Something that our LegalOs need to consider though is the Geneva convention states that 'care based only on need' yet we treat IAW a MEDROE, so are we actually following the Geneva Convention?
 - Organisational – to indicate that it is a recognised humanitarian organisation and operates under the humanitarian principles