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## Enhancing Readiness for Large-Scale Vaccine Distribution Amid COVID-19

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# Introduction and framework for COVID-19 vaccine preparedness

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# Agenda

- Introduction [F. Muhib]
- COVID-19 epidemiology, vaccine and prioritization efforts [F. Muhib]
- Global supply strategy and financing [H. Kettler]
- Vaccine delivery [H. Vu]

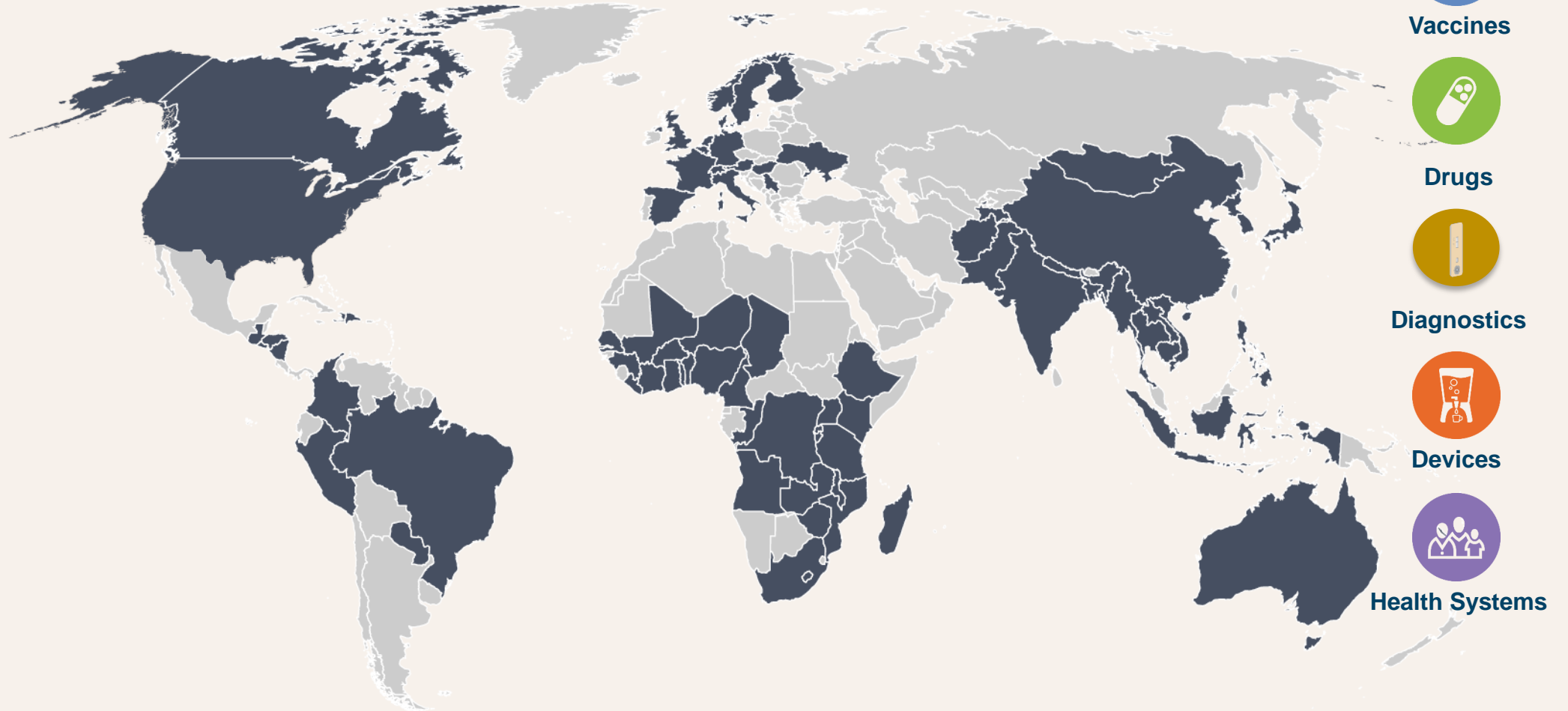
# Introducing the PATH Team

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- Hannah Kettler, PhD, Director, Vaccine Financing and Partnerships
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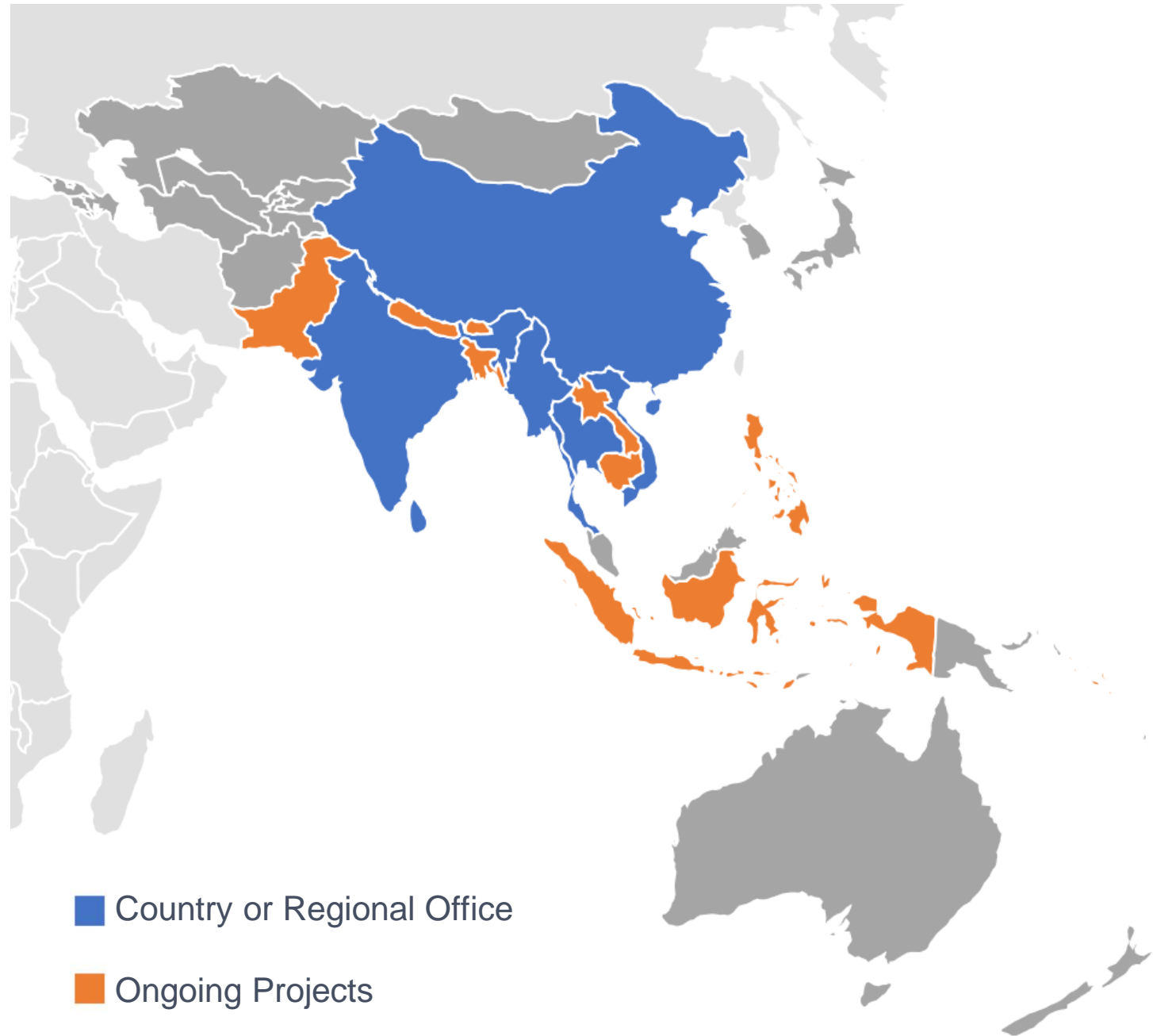
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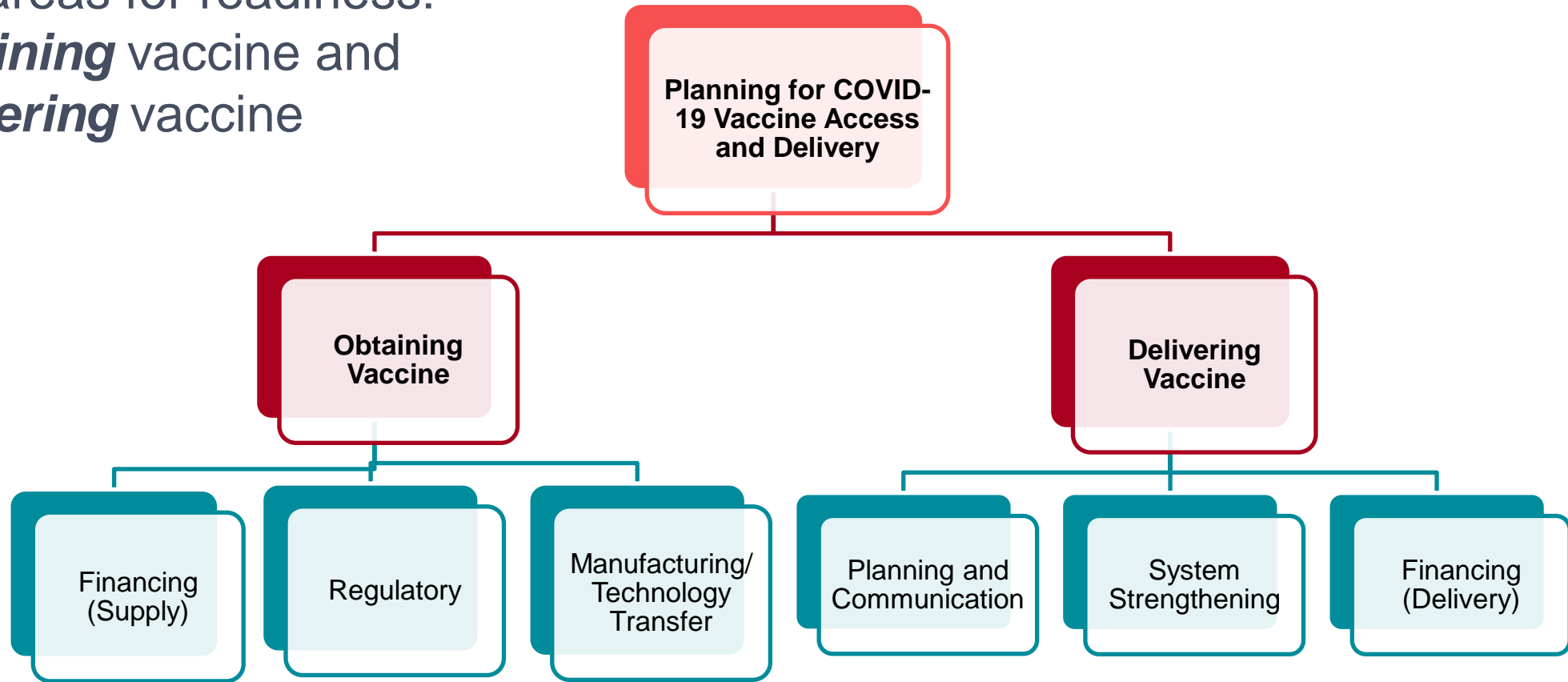
# PATH's Asia Presence

- PATH offices exist in China, India, Myanmar, Sri Lanka, and Vietnam.
- The Vietnam office serves the Mekong Region, including Vietnam, Laos, Cambodia, and Thailand.
- PATH is also engaged in projects in Bhutan, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, Indonesia, Philippines, and the Solomon Islands.



# Framework for COVID-19 Vaccine Preparedness

Two areas for readiness:  
***Obtaining*** vaccine and  
***delivering*** vaccine





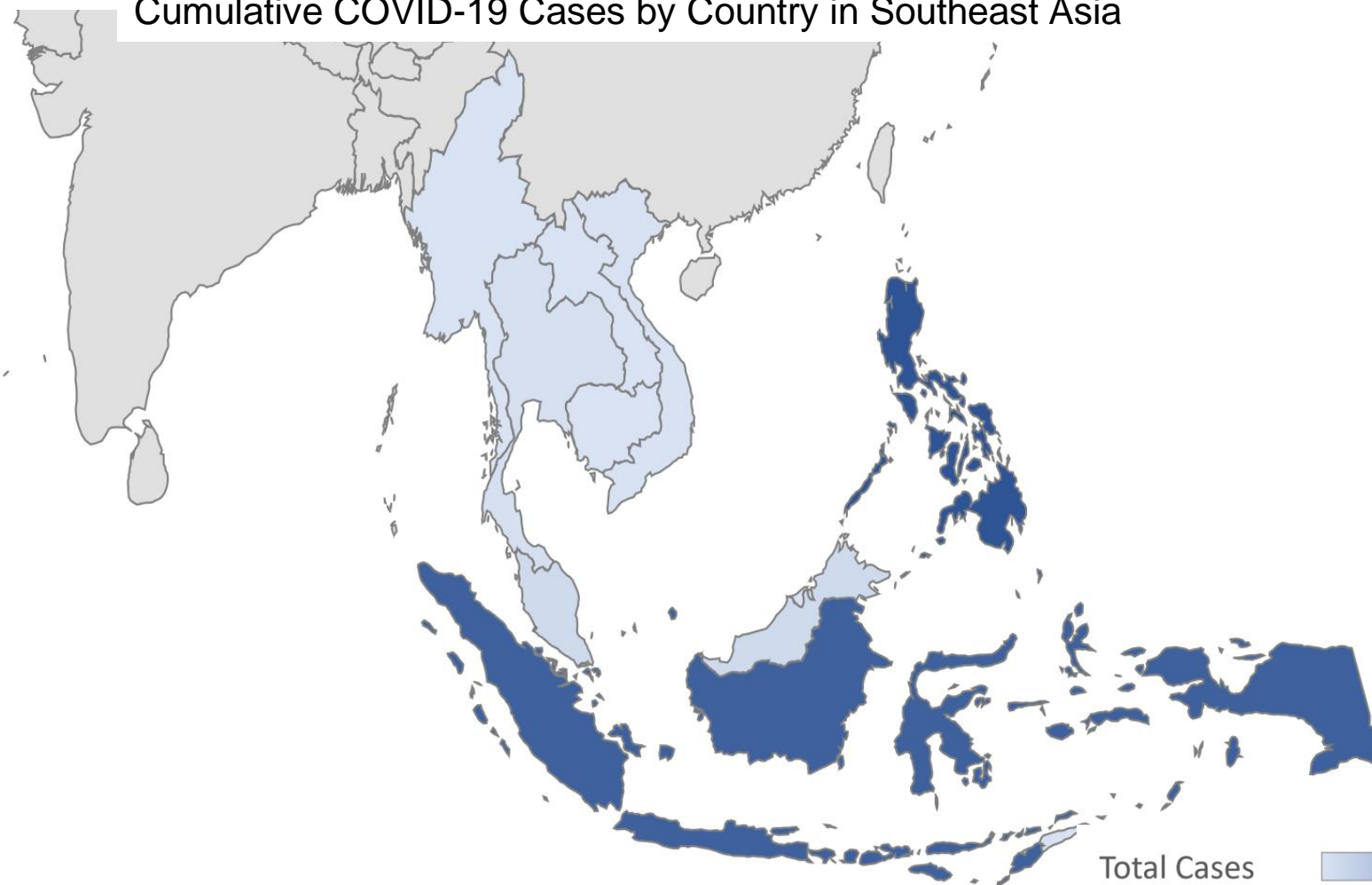
# Overview of COVID-19 epidemiology and prioritization efforts

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# Southeast Asia COVID-19 Total Cases

Cumulative COVID-19 Cases by Country in Southeast Asia

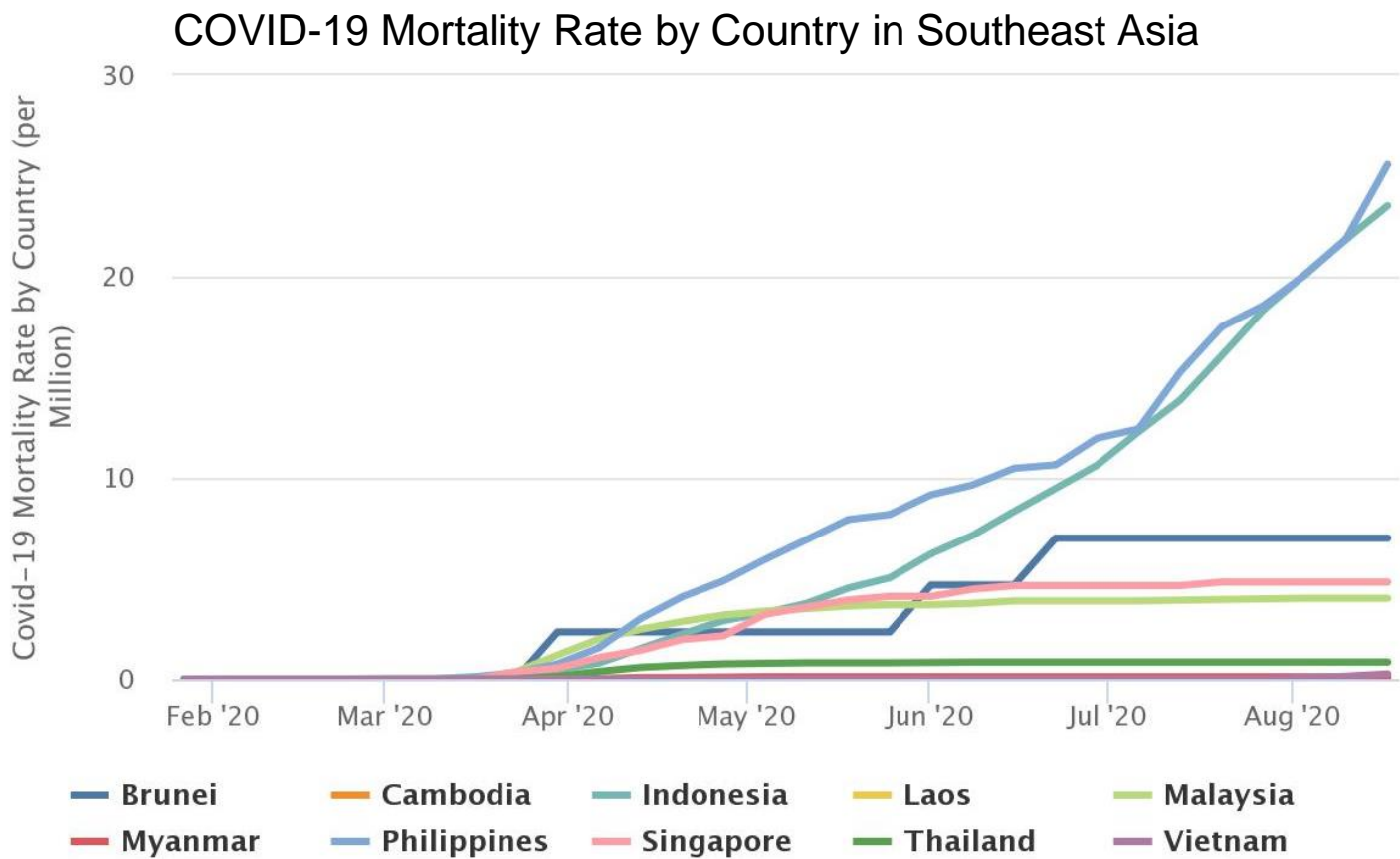


Regional Member	Total Cases	Cases per 1M population
Singapore	55838	9535
Philippines	164474	1498
Indonesia	141370	516
Brunei	142	324
Malaysia	9212	284
Thailand	3378	48
Timor-Leste	25	19
Cambodia	273	16
VietNam	983	10
Myanmar	376	7
Laos	22	3

Total Cases



# Southeast Asia COVID-19 Mortality



Regional Member	Total Deaths	Deaths per 1M population
Philippines	2681	24
Indonesia	6207	23
Brunei	3	7
Singapore	27	5
Malaysia	125	4
Thailand	58	0.8
VietNam	24	0.2
Myanmar	6	0.1
Timor-Leste	0	0
Cambodia	0	0
Laos	0	0

CSIS Southeast Asia Program | Source: Johns Hopkins University

# WHO Vaccine Prioritization Process

**Rationale:** While production capacity is scaling, vaccine supply will need to be prioritized.

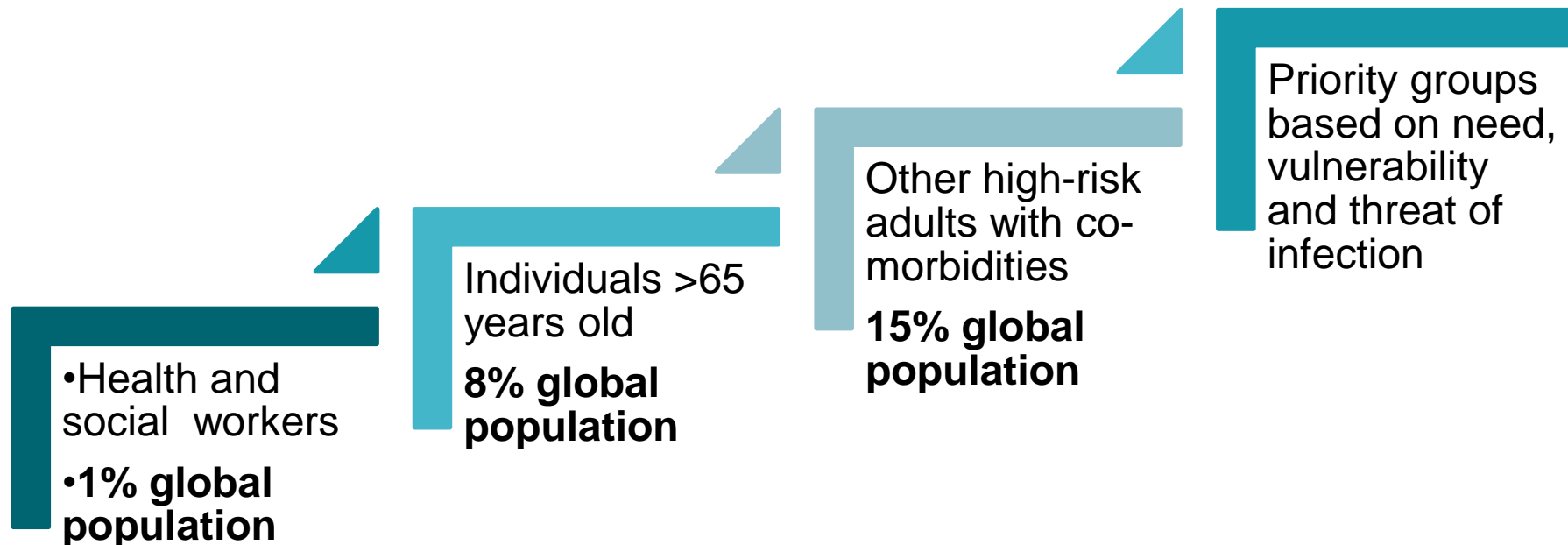
## **Three components:**

- Allocation of licensed vaccines based on public health priorities (vaccine candidate independent) - WHO
- Policy recommendations of specific vaccines based on safety and efficacy profiles - Strategic Advisory Group of Experts (SAGE)
- Guidance on specific vaccine candidates and delivery approaches – WHO and NRA Regulatory, Safety, & Monitoring

# WHO Draft Allocation Framework

Goal: “To protect public health and minimize societal and economic impact by reducing COVID-19 mortality.”

To achieve this goal, supply allocation to participating countries is currently prioritizing the following target cohorts:



# Vaccination Objectives

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## Considerations

**Interrupt transmission**

Likely requires a larger number of doses than may be available.

**Avert deaths and severe disease**

Requires vaccinating those at highest risk; however, all approved vaccines may not have demonstrated efficacy in high risk groups.

**Restart the economy**

Need to assess the segments of the economy that drive GDP, then analyze the impact vaccination of individuals in these segments will have on public health and the economy.

# Vaccination Allocation Considerations for Asian countries

## Considerations

### **Demographic distribution**

Demographic distribution in Asia is highly variable (low to high number of >65-year old adults).  
Intergenerational households are common.

### **Prevalence of co-morbidities**

Co-morbidities are increasing in Asian countries and place people at higher risk for severe disease.

### **Access to health care**

Low to high health system capacity to treat future COVID-19 patients and ongoing health needs.