Abstract

Immunization at the population level has been proved a cost-effective strategy used in public health, and is the only one that has shown it can eradicate a disease. Thus, the benefits of immunizations far exceed their risks. However, to give people the maximum benefit it is necessary to recognize the risks involved and study for its prevention and control. The objective of this paper is to review the current concept of the adverse events following immunization (AEFI), the process of investigating them and their importance in the context of safe vaccination, through a narrative review of selected literature.

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Vaccination, Immunization, Adverse events, Vaccination Safety, Public Health Surveillance.