



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these." (Matthew 19:14)

## Polio Vaccination Campaign in Gaza: Protecting Our Children

On Wednesday, September 11, 2024, DSPR/NECC Gaza, in partnership with the Church of the Holy Family, the Church of St. Porphyrius, and the Sisters of the Missionaries of Charity Shelter, collaborated with the Ministry of Health to administer the polio vaccine to children aged one to ten years. This initiative and effort is more than just a medical mission, it is part of the broader effort and commitment to protect vulnerable children in Gaza from preventable diseases, ensuring that they grow up healthy, safe.

We are proud to share that DSPR-MECC Gaza has been selected by the World Health Organization (WHO), UNRWA, UNICEF, and the Ministry of Health as one of the 18 medical points that will conduct the polio vaccination campaign in the city of Gaza. This recognition reflects our dedication and capability in delivering vital healthcare services to the community.

As part of this national campaign, DSPR NECC has deployed five dedicated teams across Gaza, working tirelessly to reach thousands of children daily, ensuring they receive the protection they need against polio. Our close coordination with WHO and other international partners underscores the importance of this mission and the shared commitment to eliminating polio from Gaza.

Together, we are committed that every child has access to life-saving vaccines and contributing to the health and well-being of our community.

*Please find attached photos from the vaccination campaign, capturing the dedication of our teams and the joy of the children and their families as they receive this vital vaccine.*





