

Carta al Editor

Agradecimiento Global Health Strategies

Hemos recibido este email de agradecimiento a la Revista Chilena de Pediatría por la difusión de la iniciativa indicada en el texto.

Dear Dr. Sepúlveda Rodríguez,

Last week, with the support of 450 scientists from more than 80 countries, the Scientific Declaration on Polio Eradication was successfully launched.

Led by Drs. Zulfiqar Bhutta and Walt Orenstein, the declaration attracted a distinguished group of signatories from across the world, including Nobel Laureates, heroes from the smallpox eradication effort and all the members of the Independent Monitoring Board.

The declaration was supported by 40 leading universities and schools of public health

and attracted headlines globally (see below for coverage highlights). It was also a hit on social media-for example, Dr. T Jacob John's piece in the Wall Street Journal, India's Great Polio Legacy, reached 13 million twitter accounts. The global coverage reminds decision makers that their ongoing commitment and leadership is imperative to the successful eradication of polio.

This groundswell of interest has delivered critical support to the new Eradication and Endgame Strategic Plan, which will be launched at the Vaccine Summit in Abu Dhabi next week. Your support has provided an important boost to the polio eradication effort.

I want to thank you for being part of this declaration. Your continued support will be invaluable as we stride toward a polio free world.

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