

broadening. The ICI serves to ensure that the activities of all Federal programs related to immunization are consistent and coordinated.

Creation of the National Vaccine Plan has highlighted the need for expanded consultation and cooperation among particular participants in the overall national effort for disease prevention through vaccine development and immunization (see figure 2). Of critical importance is the need to develop approaches to acknowledge, identify, and better incorporate into the National Vaccine Plan (and the overall national effort) the contributions that vaccine companies are making to public health needs. Development of ways to achieve this collaboration is a priority for FY 1994 and FY 1995.