

## How Other Countries Support the Vaccine-Injured

*“The true measure of any society can be found in how it treats its most vulnerable members”*  
— MAHATMA GANDHI

While the **United States** has led the way in the development of Covid vaccines, it has much to learn from other countries regarding care for those who have experienced adverse reactions, for example:

April, 2021, **Thailand** had paid compensation to 14,000 people who had experienced adverse reactions to a Covid vaccine. In September 2021, **Taiwan** established an Adverse Reaction Clinic to support the needs of the vaccine-injured. Taipei Medical University Hospital provides remote consulting, further examinations, and even medical equipment to monitor those with ongoing symptoms post-vaccination.

Taiwan also has a sliding scale compensation scheme which includes paying funeral expenses. As of October 2021, over 14,000 people in **Italy** were classified as suffering from serious adverse events. In January 2022, the government set aside 150 million euros as compensation for people damaged by a Covid vaccine.

In the beginning of 2022, **Germany** established a post-vaccine clinic in the University Hospital Marburg for the purpose of treating anyone dealing with serious or ongoing health problems since vaccination, regardless of whether the cause has been determined to be the Covid vaccine. In the first six months the clinic had treated 250 people, and had a waiting list of 3000.

Over an eleven-month period, the **New Zealand** government’s Accident Compensation Corporation had received 1708 claims for medical injury due to vaccination. By February 2022, approximately one-third had been accepted and paid in full, a third denied, and a third were still being processed.

The **United Kingdom** made its first payments to injured and bereaved families in June 2022. **Canada** began making payments in June as well. **Japan** followed closely behind in July 2022.

Vaccine-injured citizens of 92 countries are able to claim compensation through Gavi, the Vaccine Alliance. “The COVAX No Fault Compensation Program is the first and only global vaccine injury compensation mechanism. The Program provides fair, no-fault, lump sum compensation to any individual in the 92 lower-income economies covered by the COVAX Advance Market Commitment (AMC) who suffers a serious adverse event from any vaccine procured or distributed through the COVAX Facility.”

The **United States** is one of Gavi’s six original donors. Yet the United States has struggled to properly compensate their own citizens. To date, not a single payment has been made for Covid vaccine injury in the U.S.

The vaccine-injured require both medical and financial support. The U.S. is failing its vaccine-injured.

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