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# **Evaluating the Impact and Effectiveness of NVAC Recommendations**

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# *Outline*

- **Purpose and objectives**
- **Approach**
- **Some initial data on NVAC recommendations**
- **Next steps**
- **Opportunity for feedback**

## ***Concern that NVAC Recommendations are Not Having Intended Effect on Policy and Practice***

- **Several NVAC reports have been influential in shaping vaccine policy**
- **The impact of many more is unclear**

# ***Purpose of the Evaluation***

- 1. Identify factors associated with the implementation of recommendations**
- 2. Develop strategies for increasing the effectiveness of NVAC in shaping vaccine policy**

# *Evaluation Has Four Primary Objectives*

1. Evaluate the process of developing NVAC recommendations
2. Characterize NVAC activities to facilitate and/or monitor implementation of their recommendations
3. Identify characteristics of recommendations that lead to identifiable changes in policy and those that do not
4. Provide guidance to NVAC, NVPO, and HHS that will improve the development and implementation of recommendations

# ***Approach for Meeting Project Objectives***

- **Develop a conceptual framework for the vaccine and immunization enterprise**
  - **Consider how NVAC recommendations fit into the framework**
- **Collect and analyze data**
  - **Literature review, key-informant interviews**
  - **Analysis of topics addressed by NVAC**
  - **Comparison across recommendations**
  - **Comparison to other advisory committees**
- **Identify and vet strategies for improving effectiveness**

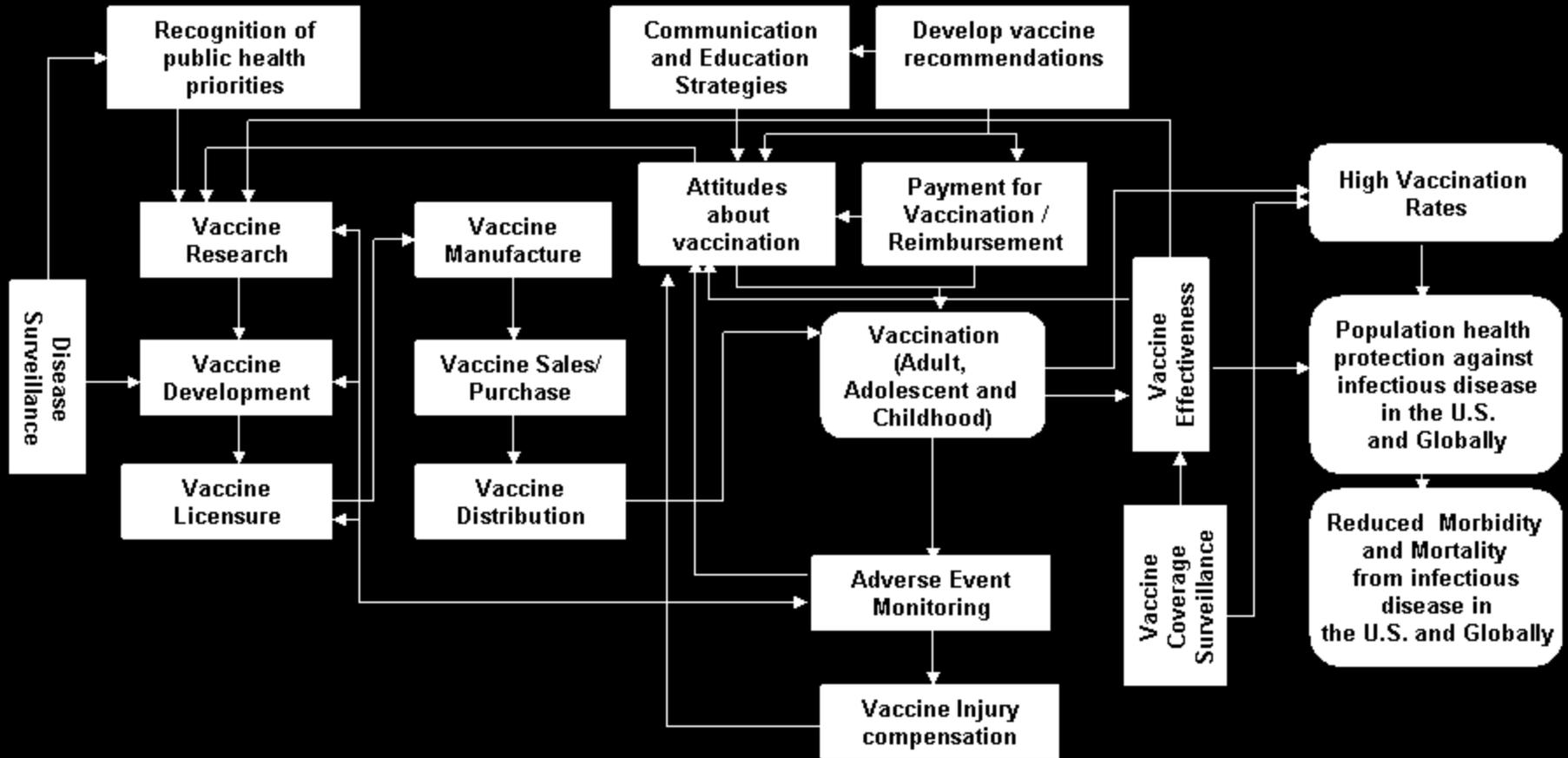
# ***Current Status***

- **Developed conceptual framework**
- **Have compiled a list of all NVAC recommendations since 1998**
  - **More challenging than we expected**
  - **Generated descriptive summary of these recommendations**
- **Conducting analysis of academic and popular press coverage of NVAC recommendations**
- **Developing interview protocol and identifying interviewees**

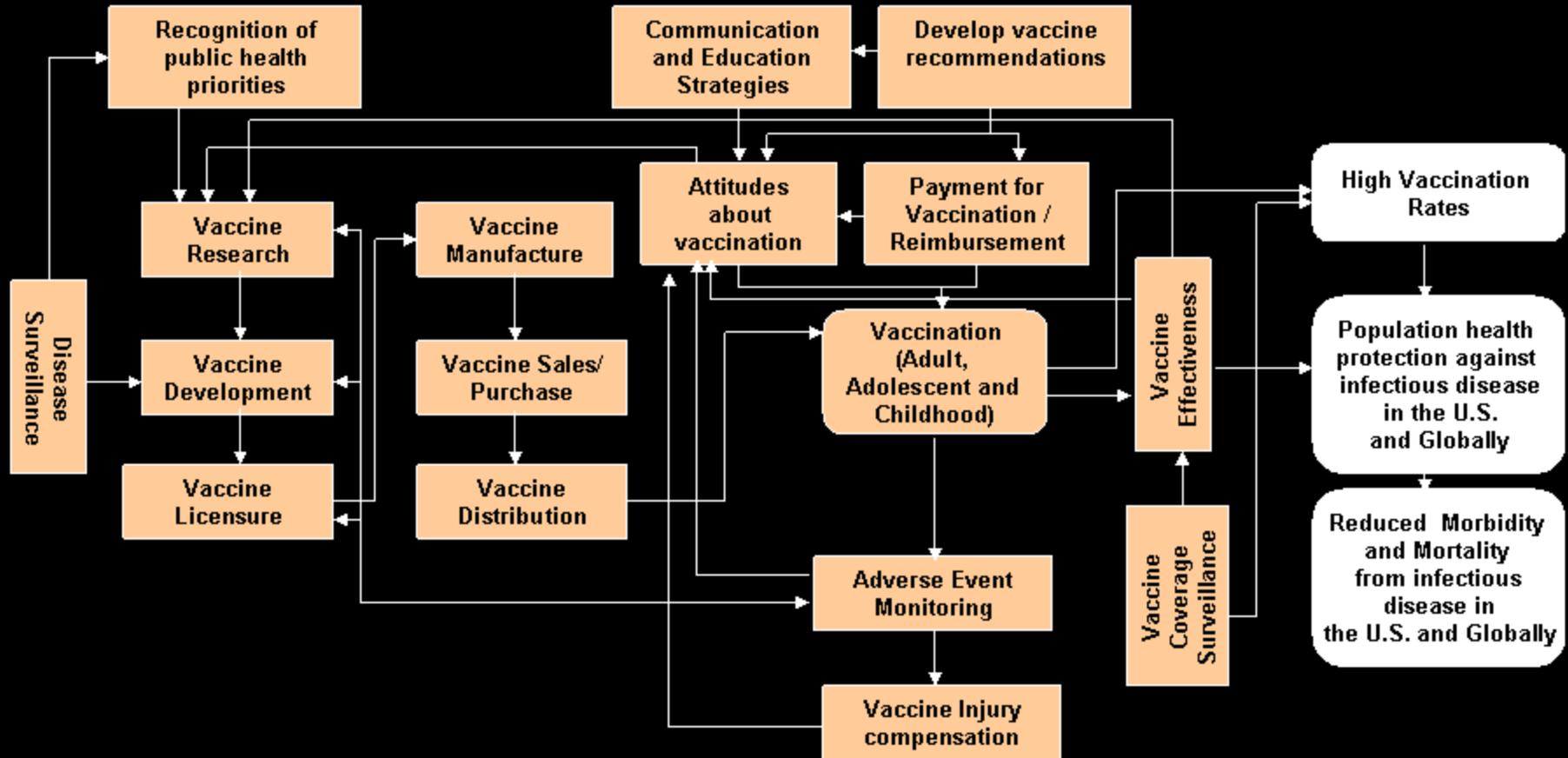
# ***Initial Data on NVAC Recommendations***

- **Descriptive summary of NVAC recommendations from 1998-2008**
- **Provides broad idea of NVAC's recommendation activities, aims, and topics of interest**

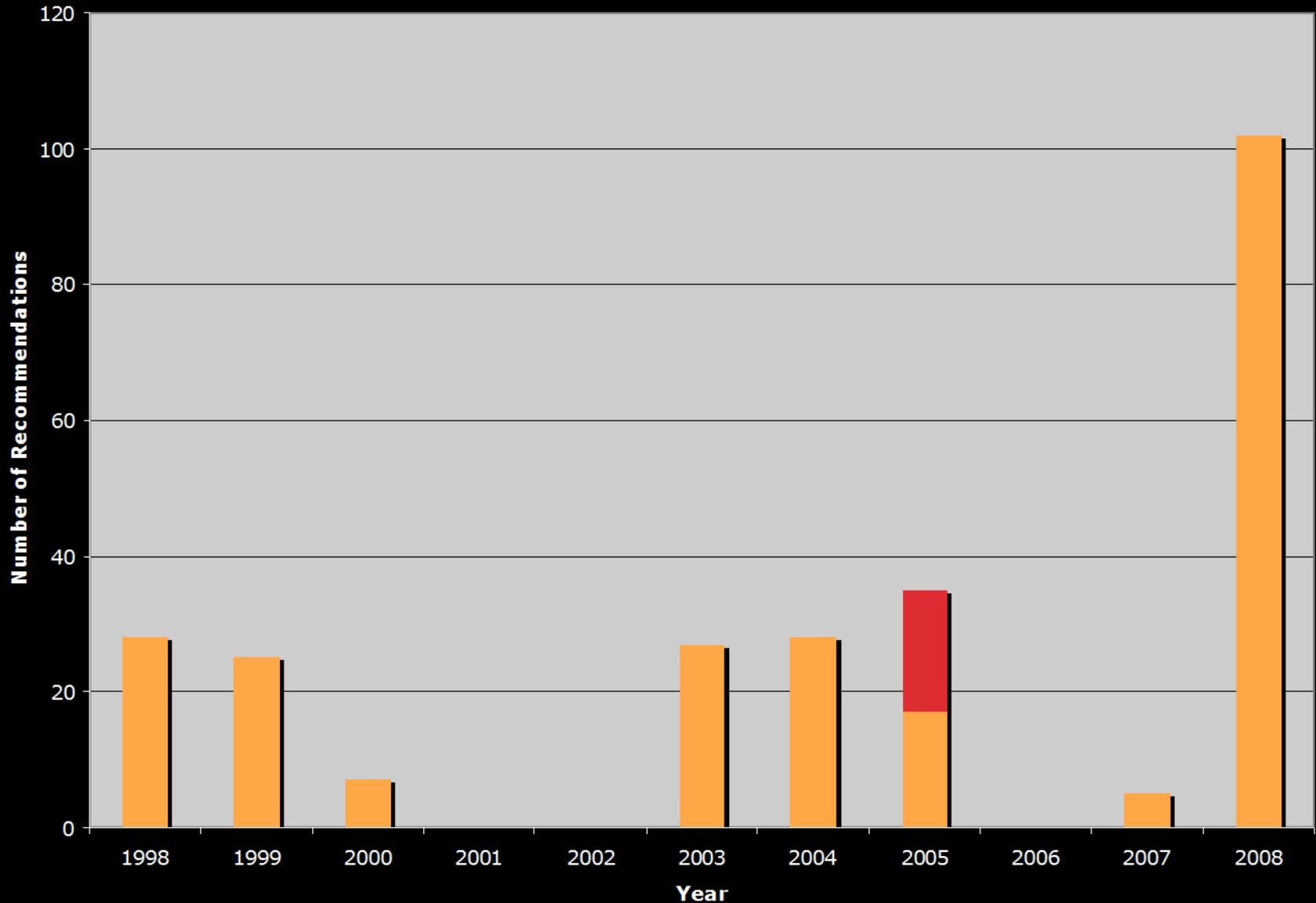
# Conceptual Framework for the Vaccine and Immunization Enterprise



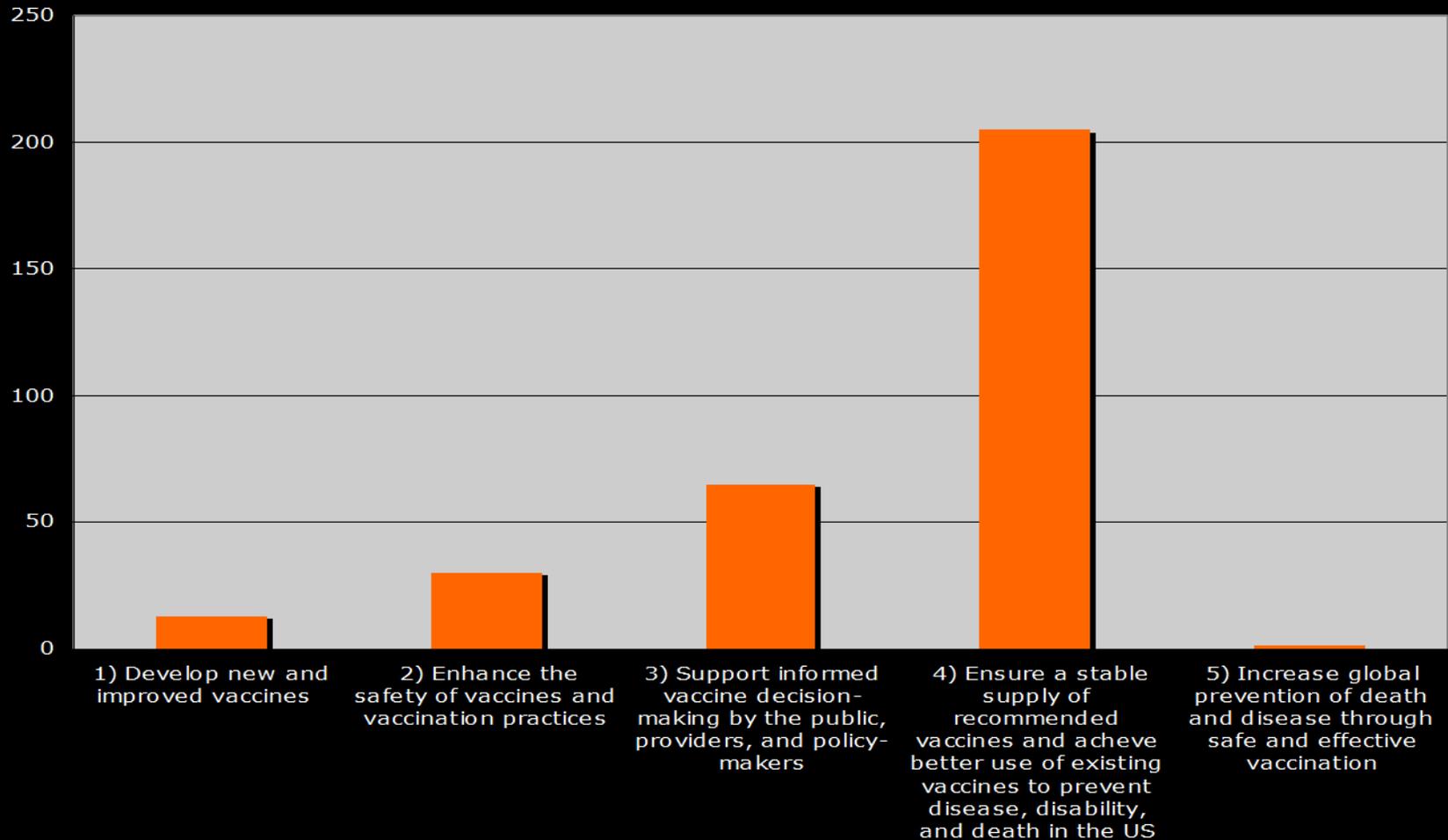
# NVAC Recommendations Touch on All Elements of the Vaccine and Immunization Enterprise



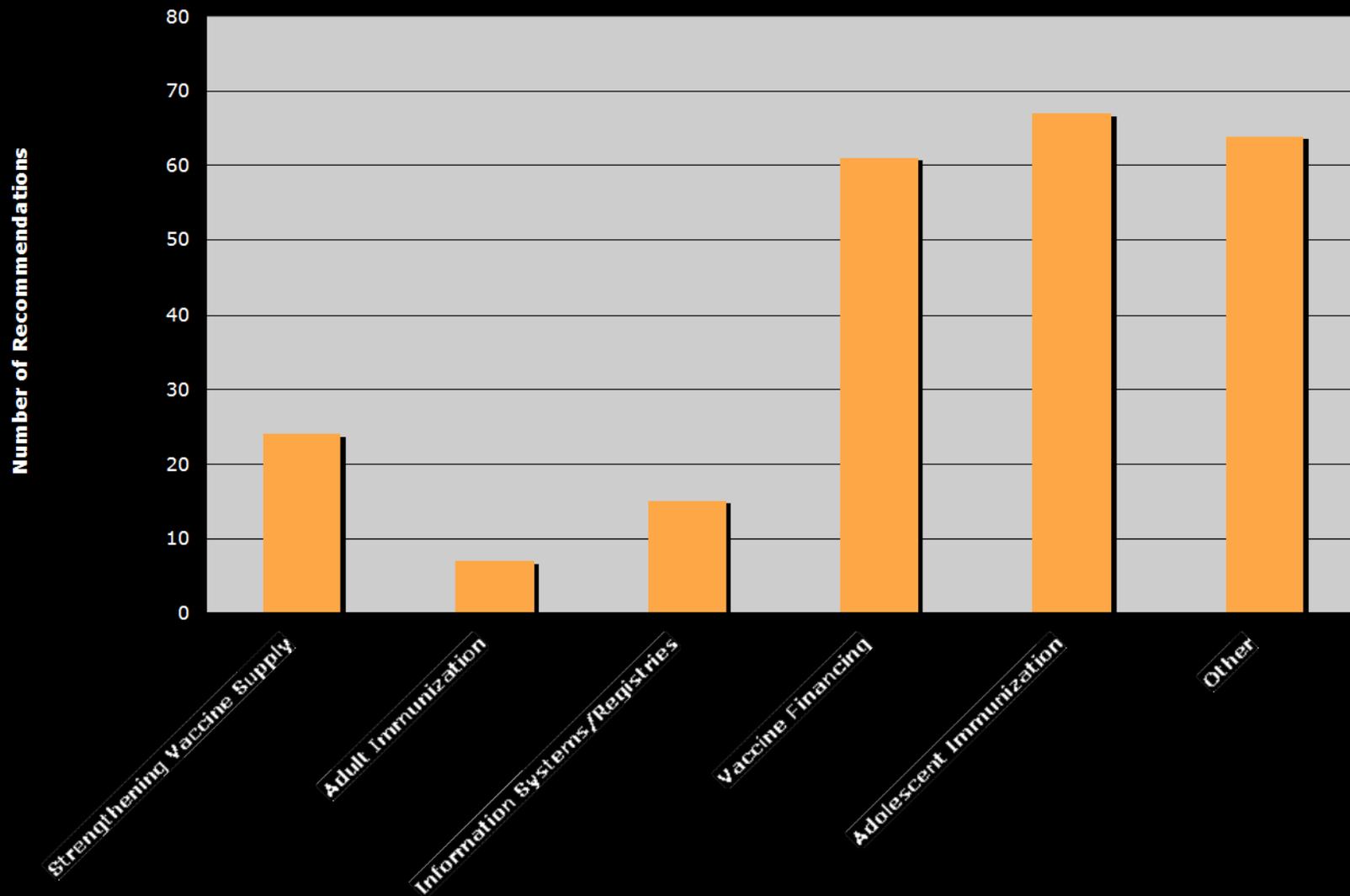
# ***NVAC Issued 238 Recommendations Between 1998 and 2008***



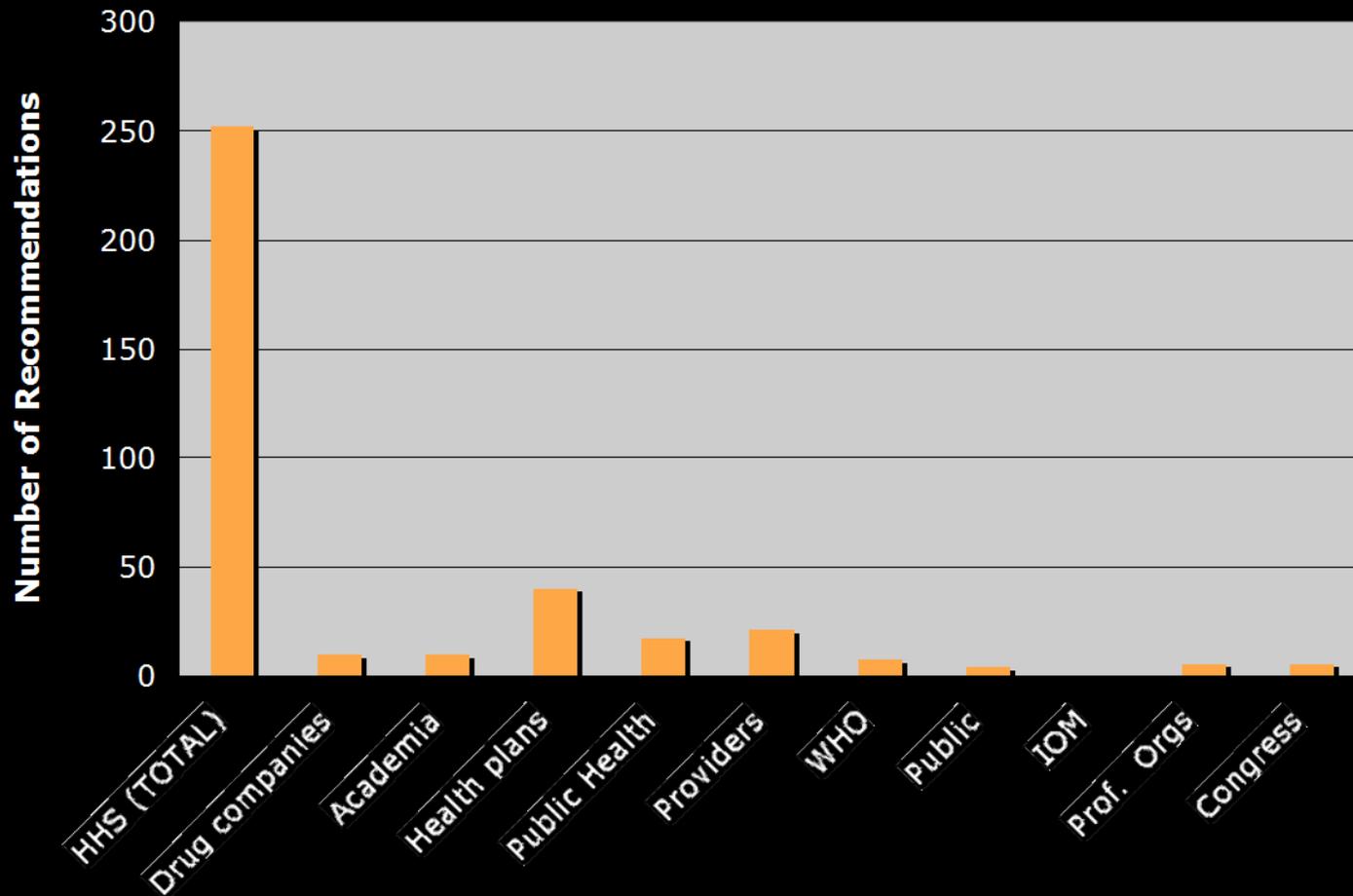
# Majority of NVAC Recommendations Address Goal 4 of the National Vaccine Plan



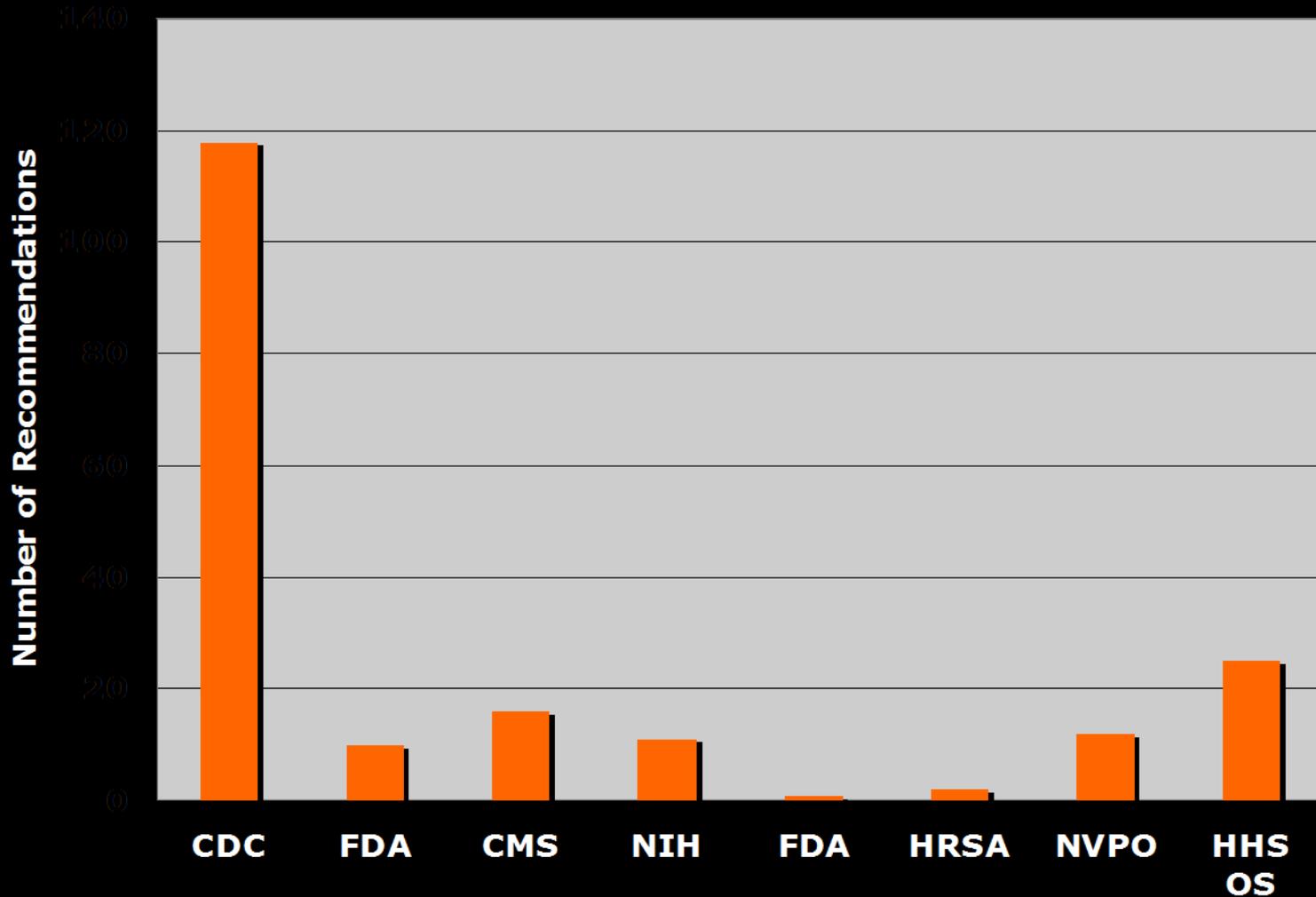
# ***NVAC Recommendations Cover a Range of Topics***



# ***Vast Majority of Recommendations Targeted at HHS***



# *Within HHS, Recommendations Targeted at Several Operating Divisions*



## ***Next Steps***

- **Conduct key informant interviews**
- **Characterize the implementation status of NVAC recommendations**
- **Conduct analyses to identify factors associated with implementation**
- **Develop strategies to improve effectiveness of NVAC recommendations**

# ***We Want to Engage You in This Process***

- **Through our discussion now and key-informant interviews we would like your thoughts on:**
  - **Our planned approach**
  - **The characteristics of recommendations that might be associated with implementation**
  - **How to determine the extent of implementation**
  - **The role of NVAC in promoting implementation**
  - **The most important facilitators and barriers to implementation**
  - **Suggestions for improving the effectiveness of NVAC recommendations**
  - **Suggestions of people we should interview**

***Thank You!***

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