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Announcements and Upcoming Events

Immunization Division 2016 Webcast Schedule: The remaining quarterly webcasts hosted by the Immunization Division will be broadcast on Tuesday, July 19, and Tuesday, October 18. Each webcast will begin at 9:30 a.m. If you miss the live webcast, a recorded version is archived and available at <http://videocenter.isdh.in.gov/videos/channel/38/recent/page1/>.

CHIRP 2016 User Group Meeting (UGM) Schedule: CHIRP UGMs are currently scheduled for the following dates in 2016:

Thursday, June 9, 2016: Gary Police Station, Gary **(This is an updated date)**

Thursday, October 20, 2016: Vanderburgh County Health Department, Evansville

For more information about the UGM sessions or to register to attend, please visit <https://chirp.in.gov/calendar/index.html>, or contact CHIRP at chirp@isdh.in.gov or 888-227-4439.

2016 Conferences:

Indianapolis will host a CDC Pink Book training in October. The Pink Book training is a two-day, comprehensive immunization course covering immunization principles and practices, vaccine-preventable diseases and currently available immunizations. This invaluable training is presented by faculty from the CDC's National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases. The training is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, and Thursday, October 13. The course will run from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days and will be held at the 502 East Convention Center in Carmel. More details can be found on the Indiana Immunization Coalition's [event page](#), including the link to register.

Call for A-Z Training Hosts: ISDH offers immunization trainings called "Immunizations A-Z". These trainings are free of charge. A full Immunizations A-Z is approximately four hours of training that covers all immunizations, signs and symptoms, vaccine-preventable diseases, state law and school requirements, as well as exemptions. This class will also cover vaccine administration and vaccine safety. Please contact the health educator in your area to arrange training.

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A-Z Training Schedule:

Thursday, June 30: Hancock County Health Department, Greenfield, IN – Katie Lewman

Friday, July 8: Atterbury Job Corps Wellness Center, Edinburgh, IN – Katie Lewman

Friday, July 15: Boone County Health Department, Lebanon, IN – Katie Lewman

New Staff Members

Reiss Lueken, AFIX Coordinator: Hello. My name is James Reiss Lueken, and I am originally from Lafayette, Indiana. Recently, I completed my Masters in Public Health, Health Policy & Management from the IU Richard M. Fairbanks School of Public Health at Indiana University – Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI). During my graduate studies, I worked as an intern for the Tobacco Prevention and Cessation Commission at the Indiana State Department of Health and the Public Health Emergency Preparedness department at the Marion County Public Health Department. In addition, I worked as a research assistant for Community Health Equity and Engagement Research [CHEER], IU Fairbanks School of Public Health working on various research projects from coalition building to community health workers (CHW's) education and training. I am very fortunate to have recently joined the Immunization Division at the Indiana State Department of Health as the new AFIX/IIS Coordinator.

Chardell Bunyon, CHIRP Support: My name is Chardell Bunyon. I am from Washington, D.C. I love seafood and spending time with my family. My educational background is in biology. I can't wait to learn more about CHIRP and I am excited to be part of the team!

Diana Taylor, Field Rep - Districts 4 and 7A: Hi everyone! My name is Diana Taylor and I am the new Field Representative for Districts 4 and 7A. I have a B.A. in American History from Arizona State University, and I previously worked for South Montgomery School Corporation. I'm excited to be working for the ISDH and look forward to meeting all of you!

2016 Immunization Awards Banquet Awardees

Deb Doctor, BSN; Health Educator

On April 26, 2016, the Indiana Immunization Coalition (IIC) held a ceremony at the Indianapolis Colts Training Complex to honor the 2015 Indiana Immunization award winners.

Nominations could be completed by any person or provider for awards in two broad categories. The first category that was evaluated was the High Flyer Awards that included Pharmacy/Pharmacists, the Adult Immunization Provider Award, the HPV Series Completion Award, the Rotavirus Immunization Award, the Chronic Disease Care Award and the Indiana Immunization Partnership Award. The second category was the Outstanding Practice Awards that included the Callie Van Tornhout Toddler Immunization Award and the Kristen Forbes Teen Immunization Award.

Here are the winners:

CATEGORY 1: HIGH FLYER AWARDS

PHARMACY/PHARMACIST AWARDS

Johnny Miller representing the Walgreens Pharmacy of Indianapolis

Heidi Barrett representing the Walgreens Pharmacy of New Albany Indiana

The Kroger Pharmacies Central Office of Indianapolis

Nick Madison representing Kroger Pharmacies in Indianapolis

Jennifer Focht representing Kroger Pharmacies in Indianapolis

ADULT IMMUNIZATION PROVIDER AWARDS

Cara Acklin representing Walgreen's Pharmacy in Indianapolis
Bartholomew County Health Department of Columbus Indiana

HPV VACCINE SERIES COMPLETION AWARD

Monroe County Health Department of Bloomington Indiana
Lawrence County Health Department of Bedford Indiana

ROTAVIRUS IMMUNIZATION AWARD

Center for Women and Children of Lawrenceburg Indiana
Sandcrest Family Medicine of Columbus Indiana

CHRONIC DISEASE CARE AWARD

Medication Management Services at St Vincent Hospital on 86th Street of Indianapolis

INDIANA IMMUNIZATION PARTNERSHIP AWARD

Walgreens Pharmacy representing various pharmacies in Indiana

CATEGORY 2: OUTSTANDING PROVIDER AWARDS

CALLIE VAN TORNHOUT TODDLER IMMUNIZATION AWARD

Sandcrest Family Medicine of Columbus Indiana
PPG Huntington Pediatrics-Dr. Hoagendobler of Huntington Indiana
Hendricks County Health Department of Danville Indiana

KRISTEN FORBES TEEN IMMUNIZATION AWARD

Monroe County Health Department of Bloomington Indiana
Lawrence County Health Department of Bedford Indiana
Riley Physicians of Martinsville Indiana

The ISDH Immunization Program commends the hard work of all of the providers that promote and administer vaccines in the state of Indiana and congratulates the recipients of those providers that received the IIC awards!

For information how to nominate or participate in the 2016 IIC awards program, please contact Lisa Robertson, Executive Director of IIC at director@vaccinateindiana.org or the ISDH Immunization Program at immunize@isdh.in.gov

2016 Birthing Hospital Awardees – Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program

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The **Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program (PHBPP)** is a resource for the surveillance and control of perinatal hepatitis B infection in Indiana. The primary goal of the program is to prevent perinatal transmission of hepatitis B infection by identifying and providing case management to HBsAg-positive pregnant women to ensure initiation of post-exposure prophylaxis to their newborns, completion of the hepatitis B series, and post-vaccination serologic testing.

Hepatitis B virus (HBV) infection in a pregnant woman poses a serious risk to her infant at birth. Without post-exposure prophylaxis, approximately 40% of infants born to HBV-infected mothers in the United States will develop chronic HBV infection, approximately one-fourth of whom will eventually die from chronic liver disease.

Birthing hospitals are an important partner of the program in the prevention of mother-to-baby transmission of HBV. PHBPP regularly conducts survey and medical record review of birthing hospitals to assess their perinatal hepatitis B prevention written policies and practices based on the recommendations by CDC. Out of the 20 hospitals audited in 2015, only the birthing hospitals with written policies and/or standing orders in place are eligible to receive an award certificate. The criteria are as follows:

1. Written policies and/or standing order - 30 pts
2. Birth dose rate - 30 pts
3. HbsAg status in the mother's chart - 10 pts
4. HbsAg status in the infant's chart - 10 pts
5. Signed hepB vaccine consent/refusal form - 10 pts
6. Enrolled in VFC and CHIRP - 10 pts

The following hospitals will receive an award certificate from Indiana State Department of Health to recognize their "best practices" in the prevention of perinatal hepatitis B transmission.

1	Clark Memorial Hospital
2	Elkhart General Hospital
2	Greene County General Hospital
4	Harrison County Hospital
5	IU Health La Porte Hospital
6	Marion General Hospital
7	Perry County Memorial Hospital
8	St. Joseph Regional Medical Center - Mishawaka
9	St. Joseph Regional Medical Center - Plymouth
10	Terre Haute Regional Hospital

The Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System: Who, when and how should I report adverse effects?

Ondreya Witmer, BA; Public Health Investigator 3, District 2

According to the CDC website, "The Vaccine Adverse Events Reporting System (VAERS) was developed by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) in 1990 to act as a post-marketing safety surveillance program of vaccines licensed for use in the United States."

"Healthcare providers are required by law under the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) to report any adverse event listed by the vaccine manufacturer as a contraindication to further doses of the vaccine, and any adverse event listed in the VAERS Table of Reportable Events." Here is the link with more information about VAERS: <https://vaers.hhs.gov/index>

"Anyone can file a VAERS report, including health care providers, manufacturers, and vaccine recipients. VAERS seeks reports of any clinically significant medical event that occurs after vaccination, even if the reporter cannot be certain that the event was caused by the vaccine. CDC/ISO and FDA review adverse reports; VAERS has identified important signals that after further research resulted in changes to vaccine recommendations. VAERS encourages the reporting of any clinically significant adverse event that occurs after the administration of any vaccine licensed in the United States. You should report adverse events even if you are unsure whether a vaccine caused the event. "

According to the CDC website, there are three ways to submit reports to VAERS, online, mail, or fax.

Report Online

- Complete a [VAERS On-Line Form](#) on this site.

- Before you begin, review the [Instructions for Completing the VAERS On-Line Form](#). Please note that the VAERS On-Line form has a 20 minute limit to complete each of the steps. Your information will be erased if you timeout and you will be returned to Step 1; you will receive a warning after 15 minutes.
- Information supplied in the online submission form is transmitted securely to VAERS. Visit the [VAERS Privacy Policies and Disclaimers](#) section for more information about [Secure Sockets Layer](#) and data transmission.

Report by Fax

- Fax a completed **VAERS Form** to (877) 721-0366.
- Download the VAERS Form.
- Request a **VAERS Form** by sending e-mail to info@vaers.org, by calling (800) 822-7967, or by faxing a request to (877) 721-0366.
- Before you begin, review the [Instructions for Completing the VAERS Paper Form](#).

Report by Mail

- Mail a completed **VAERS Form** to VAERS, P.O. Box 1100, Rockville, MD 20849-1100. A pre-paid postage stamp is included on the back of the form.
- Download the VAERS Form.
- Request a **VAERS form** by sending an e-mail to info@vaers.org, by calling (800) 822-7967, or by faxing a request to (877) 721-0366.
- Before you begin, review the [Instructions for Completing the VAERS Paper Form](#).

2016 Adult Immunization Program

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**“We haven’t seen anyone
your size for a while!”**

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WHY DO WE GIVE ADULT VACCINES: The ACIP recommends that several vaccines should be offered to adults and to comply with this recommendation, the Indiana State Department of Health has an adult immunization program that has been around for quite some time. The CDC Adult Immunization Schedule used to determine vaccine intervals is found here: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/adult/adult-schedule.pdf>

WHAT IS THE AGE REQUIREMENT FOR THE ADULT PROGRAM: The adult program starts at age 19. Individuals 19 and over who are still attending high school can only be vaccinated with vaccines ordered through the adult program. Providers cannot borrow vaccines from the VFC program to vaccinate these students. These students must also meet the financial criteria for vaccination.

WHAT ARE THE ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS: To be eligible for the Adult Program vaccines the adult must have a financial need as defined as having no health insurance OR the health insurance they have does not cover immunization services. The adult patient cannot have Medicaid or Medicare for this program. There are special adult populations that may need to be included into the program but must be approved by the ISDH. Please contact Jill King at jiking@isdh.in.gov with your questions for special needs questions.

WHAT VACCINES ARE OFFERED IN THIS PROGRAM: Over the years, changes have been made to this program to enable providers to serve their adult patients better. This year, there have been many vaccines added to this program. All vaccines that can be offered include: Tdap, HPV, MMR, PCV13, PPSV23, MCV4, Hepatitis A and B, Varicella and Seasonal Influenza (available this fall 2016-2017 season). The new Men B vaccines are not available in the ISDH Adult Program formulary.

WHO CAN BE A PROVIDER: The Adult Program is for any provider such as a local health department, STD clinic, substance abuse treatment program, birthing hospital/center, prenatal clinic, or a primary provider. Typically, a primary provider must be a member of the Indiana Primary Health Care Association (IPHCA) or they must prove they have a patient population to support the program. This information is evaluated upon enrollment into the program. Providers wishing to enroll in the program should fill out a contact request form and fax it to ISDH for consideration.

<https://myshare.in.gov/ISDH/LHDResource/immunizations/Immunizations%20Documents/54048%20Immunization%20Provider%20Contact%20Request%20Fillable.pdf>

WHERE CAN I LEARN MORE ABOUT THE ADULT PROGRAM: Review the VFC Program Policies and Procedures Binder (Policy #3 called the Adult Eligibility Statement) to answer questions or contact ISDH at 800-701-0704. Please refer to this policy here:

<https://myshare.in.gov/ISDH/LHDResource/immunizations/Immunizations%20Documents/Immunization%20Division%20Policies%20and%20Procedures/Policy%20and%20Procedure%20Manual/3%20Adult%20Eligibility%20Policy.pdf>

CHIRP is a Match Game

Katie Lewman, MPH, Health Educator

In order for information from an electronic medical records (EMR) push to decrement vaccine lots in your inventory, the EMR information must match your lot inventory information. This means that the lot numbers are case sensitive and must match, and the manufacturer and funding type must match as well. One persistent decrementing problem is with the pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV13/Prevnar13).

Scenario #1: My VFC order packing slip lists Pfizer as manufacturer, and I entered Pfizer as the manufacturer in my CHIRP inventory. However, the pre-filled syringes are branded with Wyeth.

Q: Which manufacturer is correct?

A: Pfizer is the manufacturer listed on the CDC price list and is the correct manufacturer. You will need to train all vaccinators to indicate Pfizer as the manufacturer when they enter the Pneumococcal 13-valent vaccine into permanent patient records.

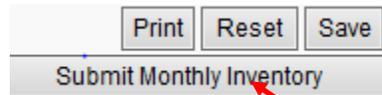
Scenario #2: I entered Pfizer as the manufacturer in my CHIRP inventory. But, my EMR does not have Pfizer as a vaccine manufacturer in the pre-populated, drop-down list.

Q: How do I make the EMR patient record information match my CHIRP inventory so that it will decrement properly?

A: In this case, you will need to change the Pneumococcal 13-valent vaccine manufacturer in CHIRP to Wyeth. Otherwise you will have to manually associate this vaccination with the patient record in CHIRP.

Submission of Monthly Inventory

Sharon Griffin, Health Educator



Providers, please note: If you are ordering VFC vaccine in VTrckS, the Submit Monthly Inventory button, located under the Reconciliation screen in CHIRP, does not submit your inventory to VTrckS. This button is reserved for VOMS (Vaccine Ordering and Management System) and should only be used by providers who are actively ordering VFC vaccine in VOMS, the online ordering system through the registry. Providers who are still ordering VFC vaccine under VTrckS should continue to enter your inventory under the 'Inventory on Hand' link in VTrckS.

School Required Adolescent Immunizations

Cortnee Hancock, RN; Chief Nurse Consultant

It is that time of year when patients come into your clinics and offices for their school-required immunizations. All students should receive the Tdap and meningococcal quadrivalent (MCV4) vaccines prior to entering 6th grade. Indiana's school immunization requirements are grade-based and not age-based. A dose of Tdap and MCV4 will count toward the adolescent requirements if given at age 10 or older. All of the Tdap and MCV4 vaccines are licensed for use in persons 10 years of age. ACIP recommendations are not laws, and Indiana Code for immunization requirements for schools trumps the ACIP recommendation of receiving a booster dose of these vaccines at 11-12 years, per CDC. Please contact the Immunization Division with any questions.

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