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NMSIIS Update

Going paperless

As part of the Immunization Program's ongoing effort to "go paperless" we are pleased to announce that providers will now make all changes to clinic and staff information directly in NMSIIS.

We have created a guide for this new process (see page two) that can be found in NMSIIS Reports Module. This new capability replaces the old process of filling out the Provider Change of Contact form and faxing or emailing it to the Program.

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NIIW: April 21-28, 2018

Since 1994, the CDC, together with communities across the United States, have celebrated National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW). This annual weeklong observance highlights the critical importance of infant immunizations in protecting our youngest and most vulnerable population from vaccine-preventable diseases. To be sure, we emphasize and encourage infant immunizations all year long, and NIIW gives us a special week to promote and celebrate along with immunization



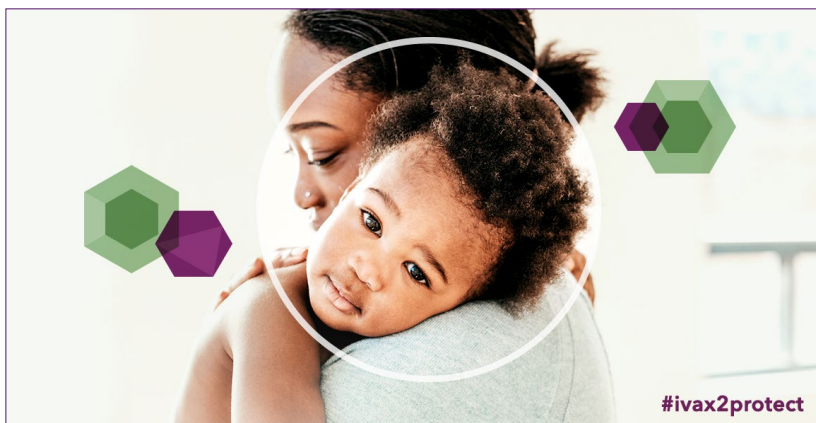
National Infant Immunization Week
Immunization. Power to Protect.
April 21-28, 2018



advocates locally, nationally and globally. CDC has launched the 2018 digital media toolkit for National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW), which is April 21-28, 2018. Go to the [NIIW link](#). The toolkit includes:

- Sample NIIW announcements
- Sample social media content
- NIIW social media graphics, sized to share on Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter

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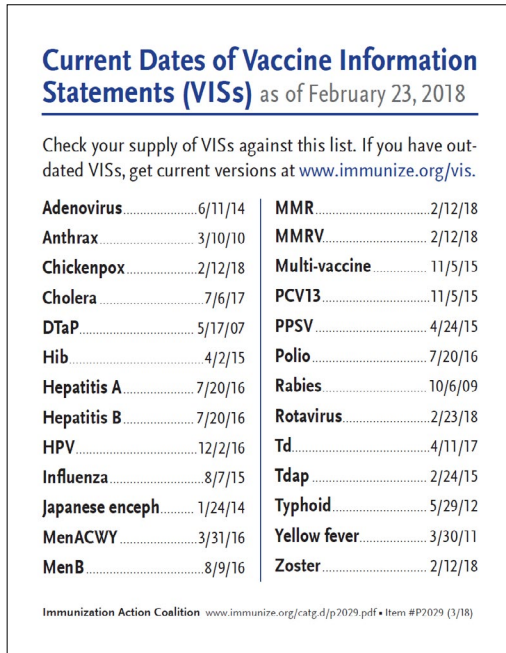


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Immunization resources

A new cheat sheet is available for ensuring the VISs that are being provided to your patients are current, see the dates on this image, or go to <http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/p2029.pdf>



The CDC, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), and The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) have updated their childhood immunization “basics” disease fact sheets in English and Spanish. and they are now available on CDC’s website.

These fact sheets, now available on CDC's website, are written for parents of children birth-2 years old. Each of the 14 sheets provides an overview of a vaccine-preventable disease and vaccine information. Diseases include:

- Chickenpox
- Diphtheria
- Hepatitis A
- Hepatitis B
- Hib
- Influenza (flu)
- Measles
- Mumps
- Pneumococcal Disease
- Polio
- Rotavirus
- Rubella
- Tetanus
- Whooping Cough (Pertussis)

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Two Startling Vax Stats You'll Want to Use

By Bill Davenhall

This article is featured on STC's website, the link to the article is below.

- 1 More Americans got a flu shot for this flu season than voted in the last Presidential election. 15 million more!**

(CDC estimates that about 154 million will end up getting a flu shot during the current flu season, while the US Census Bureau estimated that 139 million people voted in the 2016 election for American President.) BRAVO to everyone who works in America's immunization programs and all who "voted" for better health. So, now what? How do we move the immunization rate higher from here? A lot of it depends on the "flu vax gap" — identifying those geographical areas and demographic groups that have the most people who did not get shots. One example: I project that...

- 2 Fifty percent of those who will NOT get a flu shot in 2022 will live in fewer than 5% of the nation's counties.**

These tend to be places with the most people, but also with the most diverse demographic groups who are least likely to get vaccinated. That means about 136 counties will become "ground zero" for dramatically increasing the absolute number of people that will benefit from the flu vaccine.

If you would like to know more about Bill, or would like his Research Brief on the vaccination gap, go to this link [full article and pdf](#)

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In memorium



Deb Belyeu, 1958-2017

The NM Department of Health and Immunization Program is mourning the loss of Debra Belyeu, the Director of Nursing Services for the SE Region in Roswell.

Debra began working with the DOH in 1998 as the Families FIRST District Coordinator, where she immediately demonstrated her ability to go above and beyond and exceed expectations. Debra coordinated the pre-natal/pediatric CM services and ensured QA efforts for ongoing improvement of the Families FIRST Program, where she served on the MCH council and the regional Quality Assessment & Improvement committee. In addition, Debra always offered her assistance by utilizing her nursing skills and helping with local flu clinics and school health initiatives throughout the region.



In 2002, she was promoted to the Director of Nursing Services for the SE Region. Not only did she manage all the Quality Assurance measures, but also monitored compliance measures for State and DOH policies. She successfully managed the Immunization Program, Breast and Cervical Cancer Program and the Families FIRST program, and later, the Infectious Disease program including STDs, HIV and Harm Reduction services. Debra led the immunization “Dream Team” in the Southeast Region. She was an outstanding leader, paid attention to detail and had a warm personality; she contributed significantly to an efficient and effective Public Health team.

It has been a huge loss for all DOH staff, especially in the SE Region. She will be sorely missed.

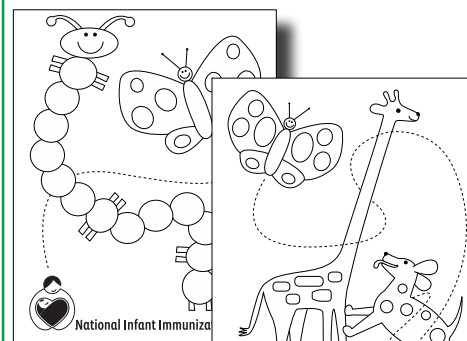
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“Protect Your Daughters from Cervical Cancer” is an informative article located at <https://www.cdc.gov/features/preventcancer> HPV vaccination can protect your children from several types of cancers. HPV vaccination means stopping the spread of the virus, which results in the reduction of cervical and other HPV-related cancers.

NIIW: 2018 Media Toolkit *continued from front page*

- Links to digital resources for sharing with parents
- Details about the #ivax2protect Twitter Storm on April 24th

This digital media toolkit complements the wealth of other NIIW planning and promotional resources available on the NIIW website. If you need additional information, please email childhoodvaccines@cdc.gov



NIIW coloring sheets available for download

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