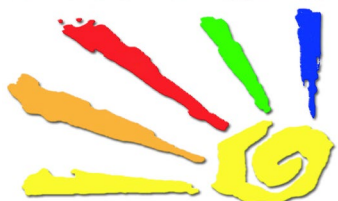


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## NMIC 2013 Provider Awards Dinner

**By Anna Pentler, MPH, MBA**

*Executive Director, NMIC*

On Friday, May 3 the NMIC Provider Awards Dinner proved to be the biggest event yet! Eighty-nine providers were honored for having 90% or greater childhood immunization rates. Ten providers were recognized for their achievement in immunizing adolescents with Tdap, Meningococcal vaccine and HPV vaccine. Ten hospitals were recognized for their excellent rates for administering the birth dose of the Hepatitis B vaccine. Several providers and individuals were recognized for their support of NMSIIS. We honored four "Immunization Champions": Jody Belding, a nurse consultant in the SE Region, Terri Von Wolff, the health/nutrition specialist with Doña Ana County Head Start, Michelle Woodruff, a public health nurse for Crownpoint Healthcare Facility, and the UNM College of Pharmacy Student Association. (See table on page 3 for the listing of award winners).

Over 220 attendees enjoyed a delicious dinner and a cameo appearance by Ricardo Roadrunner, our Immunization

mascot. Amy Wilson, Chief Nurse for the New Mexico Department of Health, congratulated winners and bestowed their award.

Jamie Schanbaum and her mother, Patsy Schanbaum of The J.A.M.I.E. Group provided the keynote address for the evening delivering a powerful presentation about Jamie's terrible experience with meningococcal disease. In 2008, as a college student, Jamie became ill with what she thought was the flu, and rapidly became very ill. At the hospital, the doctors recognized that it was likely meningitis and started her on antibiotics right away. Despite this, Jamie was hospitalized for months and ultimately needed to have

both legs amputated below the knee and lost her fingers. Since recovering from meningococcal septicemia, Jamie has relearned to walk using prosthetic legs and is back at college completing her degree. Jamie and Patsy have become spokespersons and advocates for meningococcal vaccine and have worked tirelessly to effect change in college immunization requirements in Texas where they live.

Jamie is truly inspirational in using her horrific experience to educate others and advocate for vaccination.

Jamie's story is beautifully captured in the video, "Facing Meningitis" from the Texas Children's Hospital: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=h2-U1S74OH0>



*NMIC 2013 Immunization Champions  
with the folks who nominated them*

## NMIC members

### Co-Chairs

Norman White, MD  
Dan Burke, MPH

### Executive Director

Anna Pentler, MPH, MBA

### Participating Organizations

AARP  
Albuquerque Public Schools  
Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Mexico  
Border Health Office/BEC/NMSU  
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
Doña Ana County Immunization Coalition  
GlaxoSmithKline Vaccines  
Indian Health Service  
La Clinica de Familia Medical Center  
Lovelace Health System  
Merck Vaccine Division  
Molina Healthcare  
NM Academy of Family Physicians  
NM Aging and Long-Term Services Dept.  
NM CYFD  
NM Department of Health  
NM Immunization Advisory Group  
NM Human Services Department  
NM Hospital and Health Systems  
NM Medical Review Association  
NM Medical Society/CPI  
NM Nurses Association  
NM Pediatric Society  
NM Pharmaceutical Association  
NM Primary Care Association  
NM Public Health Association  
NM School Nurses Association  
NM State Department of Education  
NM State PTA  
Passport Health NM  
Pfizer Inc.  
Presbyterian Health Services  
Rotary Clubs of New Mexico  
sanofi pasteur  
Santa Fe Immunization Coalition  
Sierra County Immunization Coalition  
University of New Mexico, Health Sciences Center  
Villa Therese Catholic Clinic  
Voices for Children

## SHOT BRIEFS

### Pertussis

New Mexico continues to experience a high level of pertussis cases. In 2012, over 870 cases were reported to the NM Department of Health—three times greater than 2011. In the first 4 months of 2013, over 100 cases have been reported.

In an attempt to curtail the epidemic, the Immunization Program at NM DOH has been providing doses of Tdap to adults and adolescents. These doses are being given through Public Health Offices and outreach clinics for those who may have been exposed to a pertussis case, pregnant women, people who have contact with infants and anyone who is concerned about getting pertussis. People who have health insurance are encouraged to get immunized through their health care provider.



### Hepatitis A

Very recently a number of cases of Hepatitis A have been seen in 5 western states, including New Mexico. The cases have been linked to frozen berries sold through Costco. Since this outbreak is ongoing, NMIC is including a bit of information about Hepatitis A and the vaccine.

The signs and symptoms of Hepatitis A include the following:

- Fever
- Loss of energy
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea
- Abdominal discomfort
- Dark urine or clay-colored stools
- Vomiting
- Jaundice (skin and whites of the eyes turning yellow)

Hepatitis A infection is acquired primarily by the fecal-oral route by either person-to-person contact or ingestion of contaminated food or water.

The average incubation period for Hepatitis A is 28 days (range: 15–50 days). In children aged <6 years, 70% of infections are asymptomatic; if illness does occur, it is typically not accompanied by jaundice. Among older children and adults, infection is typically symptomatic, with jaundice occurring in >70% of patients. Adults who become infected with Hep A typically recover within 2 months, but can become very ill and require hospitalization. The case fatality rate for fulminant Hep A was about 0.3% in the pre-vaccine era. (information taken from “Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine Preventable Diseases”, 12th Edition, CDC)

Hepatitis A vaccine is recommended for all children in New Mexico at 12 and 18 months. This recommendation has been in effect nationwide since 2005. The Hepatitis A vaccine requirement for one dose for children in preschool or daycare was instituted in 2008. Immunization rates for Hep A are about 40% by age 2 and between 80 and 90% by kindergarten.

Hepatitis A vaccine is given in two doses administered 6 months apart. Immunogenicity is high, with about 95% of people protected after the first dose and 100% after two doses. People with questions about the Hepatitis A outbreak or about getting vaccinated, should visit the NM Department of Health website and review the FAQs. <http://nmhealth.org/CommunicationsOffice/hepaoutbreak.shtml>

# 2013 NMIC Immunization Award Winners

## Practices with rates greater than 90%

### Northeast Region

Alta Vista Youth Clinic, Las Vegas  
 Children's Clinic:  
 • Los Alamos • White Rock  
 Clayton Family Practice  
 El Centro Family Health, Española  
 Española Hospital Multi Specialty  
 Clinic, PMG  
 Family Practice Associates, Raton  
 Family Practice Associates of Taos  
 Jicarilla Service Unit Nursing  
 Program, Dulce  
 La Familia Medical Center, Santa Fe:  
 • Alto Street • South Side  
 La Familia Primary Care, Raton  
 Las Clinicas del Norte, Abiquiu  
 Meadow City Family Clinic,  
 Las Vegas  
 Rodeo Family Medicine, Santa Fe  
 Santa Fe I.H.S. Hospital  
 Santa Rosa Medical Clinic  
 Unity Medical Clinic, Santa Fe

### Northwest Region

Bloomfield Health Center  
 Dzilh-Na-O-Dith-Hle I.H.S. Clinic,  
 Bloomfield  
 San Juan Health Partners Pediatrics,  
 Farmington  
 Tohatchi Health Center  
 Zuni Indian Hospital

### Metro Region

ABQ Health Partners:  
 • Coors • Juan Tabo • Rio Bravo  
 • Rio Rancho  
 Drs. Luis De La Torre &  
 Christopher Roveto, Albuquerque  
 Edgewood Pediatric Clinic  
 First Choice Community Healthcare:  
 • Alameda • Belen • Broadway  
 • Edgewood • Los Lunas  
 • North Valley • South Valley  
 Reginald Lord, MD, Albuquerque  
 McLeod Medical Center, Edgewood  
 Parveen's Pediatric Care, Abq.  
 Pediatric Associates, Albuquerque  
 Pediatric Health Services, Abq.  
 Dr. Phil Pediatrics, Rio Rancho  
 Presbyterian Family Practice  
 at Los Lunas  
 Presbyterian Kaseman Family Hlth.

Presbyterian Medical Group:

- Atrisco • Isleta Pediatrics
- Northside Pediatrics • Wyoming

Presbyterian Rio Rancho Pediatrics  
 Rio Abajo Family Practice, Los Lunas  
 Gwenn Robinson, MD, Albuquerque  
 San Felipe Health Clinic  
 University of New Mexico:  
 • Family Health Clinic, Academy  
 • Family & Internal Medicine Clinic  
 • Family Practice Center  
 • SE Heights Family Practice  
 • UNMH Pediatric Clinic  
 • Westside Family Health Center  
 • Young Children's Health Center  
 Jurgen Upplegger, MD, Albuquerque

### Southeast Region

American Medical Group, Hobbs  
 BCA Medical Associates, Artesia  
 Downtown Pediatrics, Carlsbad  
 Family Health Center of Lea County  
 La Casa de Buena Salud, Portales  
 Salvatore LaFata, MD, Clovis  
 Lea County Children's Clinic, Hobbs  
 Memorial Family Practice, Artesia  
 Plains Regional Medical Group  
 Pediatrics PMG, Clovis  
 Raney Pediatrics, Carlsbad  
 Quay County Family Health Center  
 PMS, Tucumcari  
 White Mountain Medical, Ruidoso

### Southwest Region

Ben Archer T or C School-Age Clinic  
 Casa Alegre Pediatrics, Las Cruces  
 Family Practice Medical Clinic,  
 Las Cruces  
 First Step Pediatrics, Las Cruces  
 Full Bloom Pediatrics, Las Cruces  
 Greeg Family Healthcare, Las Cruces  
 HMS Bayard Community Health Ctr.  
 Hidalgo Medical Services,  
 Gila Pediatrics, Silver City  
 La Clinica de Familia:  
 • Anthony • Chaparral  
 Las Cruces Family Medicine  
 Mescalero P.H.S. Hospital  
 Allan L. Paul, MD, Alamogordo  
 Pediatrics of Alamogordo  
 Rio Grande Medical Grp, Las Cruces  
 St. Anthony Pediatrics, Anthony  
 The Family Clinic, Silver City

## Achievement in adolescent immunizations

ABQ Health Partners Gibson  
 Pediatrics  
 American Medical Group, Hobbs  
 William Barkman, DO, Aztec  
 La Clinica de Familia, Chaparral  
 Mora Valley Community Health  
 Service  
 Presbyterian Socorro General  
 Medical Group  
 Sandoval County Public Health  
 Office, Bernalillo  
 Santa Fe Pediatric Associates  
 Southeast Heights Public Health  
 Office, Albuquerque  
 Southern New Mexico Medical  
 Associates, Ruidoso

## Excellent administration rates, Hep B birth dose

Carlsbad Medical Center  
 Eastern NM Medical Center, Roswell  
 Lea Regional Medical Center, Hobbs  
 Lincoln County Medical Center,  
 Ruidoso  
 Los Alamos Medical Center  
 Lovelace Regional Hospital, Roswell  
 Mimbres Memorial Hospital, Deming  
 Plains Regional Hospital, Clovis  
 Presbyterian Española Hospital  
 Socorro General Hospital

## Support of NMSIIS

New Mexico Health Information  
 Collaborative  
 The New Mexico Pharmacists  
 Association  
 Walgreens Pharmacies  
 Senator Sue Beffort  
 Representative Nick Salazar

## Immunization champions

APhA-ASP/SSHP: UNM College of  
 Pharmacy student organization  
 Jody Belding, RN, BSN  
 Terri Von Wolff  
 Michelle Woodruff, RN

# Photo gallery

Please give yourselves a big hand for the outstanding work being done around the state on immunizing New Mexico's children! We honored 118 award winners for their dedication to vaccinating—our biggest Awards Dinner yet thanks to your hard work.

*Photos clockwise from top right: Patsy Schanbaum, Anna Pentler, keynote speaker Jamie Schanbaum, Jane Cotner, Lance Chilton, MD, and Maggie June; Southeast Region award winners group photo; Melissa Acosta, Pam Wellborn and Sara Granger of American Medical Group in Hobbs; Shaleen Brown, San Juan Health Partners Pediatrics, Farmington; Angela Temple, Jurgen Upplegger, MD and Monique Fuller; Crystal Edkin of Española Hospital; Adela Yanez of La Clinica de Familia, Chaparral.*



# Immunization Program announcements



**Dan Burke,  
Immunization  
Program Manager**

Dan Burke has been in public health for over 20 years, with stints in health promotion, male involvement

in family planning, primary care, violence prevention, and STD prevention and control. He is on a learning curve with the Immunization Program, but comes with solid experience in program management, good relationships within Public Health and providers in New Mexico and a can-do attitude towards taking a good program and making it better. He is a native of California but has

lived in New Mexico for 25 years. He speaks Spanish, having lived in Mexico, has two children, 18 and 21 – plays music and is building a wooden boat. Dan is a strong believer in immunizations and is looking forward to meeting and working with the greater immunization community.

**Carly Christian,  
Operations Manager**

Carly Christian has been promoted to Operations Manager, which is responsible for the overall nuts and bolts functioning of the Immunization Program. Carly has many years of experience in the VFC Program and in-depth knowledge of immunizations, including internationally, nationally and locally.

**Program updates**

The Program is actively preparing for the new environment as a result of 2013 legislation which requires all vaccine providers in New Mexico to enter information into the statewide immunization registry, NMSIIS. We are working to train a large number of providers who in the past may not have entered shots into NMSIIS, such as pharmacies or other sites that vaccinate adults. At the same time, NMSIIS staff are busy “on-boarding” providers who are prepared to transmit data electronically rather than via manual data entry. These system changes will result in much more complete information about vaccine coverage in New Mexico.

## “Community Immunity” marketing materials

NMIC now has printed materials for promoting immunizations. These marketing items are being offered as a way to promote “Community Immunity” in your area or Region. Please contact our office if you are interested in receiving in any of these. Help us spread Community Immunity!

**DONE BY ONE Immunizations for babies...**

Age of child in months

Vaccine	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7-11	12	18	24	48
DTap												
Hepatitis A												
Hepatitis B												
HIB												
Influenza								during flu season				
MMR												
Pneumococcal												
Polio												
Rotavirus												
Varicella												

For information about vaccines visit us at [www.immunizenm.org](http://www.immunizenm.org)

**Vaccines are not just for babies!**

Are you up to date? Call your health care provider to find out!

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

11" x 17" glossy poster

**HECHO AL AÑO Vacunas para los bebés...**

Edad del niño en meses

Vacuna	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7-11	12	18	24	48
DTap (difteria, tétanos, tos ferina)												
Hepatitis A												
Hepatitis B												
HIB												
Influenza								durante la temporada de influenza				
MMR (sarampión, paperas y rubéola)												
Neumococos												
Polio												
Rotavirus												
Varicela												

Para más información visítenos al [www.immunizenm.org](http://www.immunizenm.org)

4" x 6" magnets and vinyl clings (for refrigerators and windows) in English and Spanish

**Not Vaccinated? No Kisses!**

Get the adult whooping cough vaccine. [www.ImmunizeNM.org](http://www.ImmunizeNM.org)

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NEW MEXICO DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

3.5" x 11" bumper stickers and vinyl clings (for refrigerators and windows)

# 2013 calendar of events

## July

- 7/11 CPI Immunization Workgroup meeting, 2-4pm
- 7/18 NMIC Steering Committee meeting, 2-4pm

## August "Immunization Awareness" month

- 8/3 Got Shots? Protect Tots! 8/3 thru 8/18
- 8/8 CPI Immunization Workgroup meeting, 2-4pm
- 8/16 NMIC Meeting, Abq. Marriott Pyramid, 10am

## September

- 9/12 CPI Immunization Workgroup meeting, 2-4pm

## October

- 10/10 CPI Immunization Workgroup meeting, 2-4pm
- 10/16 NMIC Steering Committee meeting, 2-4pm

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# Got Shots? Protect Tots!

August 3 through August 17 2013

Providers, you're invited to participate in Got Shots? Protect Tots! back-to-school immunization campaign. Visit the NMIC website to register or call Maggie June at 505-272-3032, or [mjune@salud.unm.edu](mailto:mjune@salud.unm.edu)



*Alicia Arevalo of Family Practice Medical Clinic, Las Cruces accepting award from Amy Wilson, NM Department of Health*



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