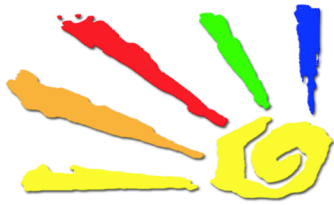


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NMDOH Immunization Program recap of 2016

The Immunization Program has had a very busy year which encompassed many new and exciting things. The long-awaited implementation of the new Immunization Registry (aka NMSIIS) went off without a hitch! NMSIIS went live on May 31 and already gleans improvements and early advantages. The new system houses over 2 million patient records, therefore it was critical that the Immunization Program secure a functional registry capable of keeping up with our state's ever-growing population and meet the needs of our citizens. The new NMSIIS integrates individual immunization records, provider vaccine orders, coverage assessment, and tracking of exemptions to school immunization entry requirements. The registry is capable of bi-directional queries and will encompass another

new module in early 2017 that will support providers in the use of data loggers and uploading their temperature logs directly into NMSIIS, as well as online annual recertification.



Rebecca Gehring

Lisa Jacques-Carroll

Erica Martinez-Lovato

In FY 2016, The Immunization Program invoiced all insurers and health plans for their pro rata share of vaccine costs, and generated \$18.3 million of revenues for that purpose in FY 2016 as part of the Vaccine Purchase Act. The Program is on track to reach the \$19.4 million estimated cost of vaccines for all insured children in FY 2017.

New staff introductions

The Immunization Program is proud to

introduce several new staff. Rebecca Gehring, MPH, is the Vaccine and Outreach Manager. Before moving to New Mexico, Ms. Gehring worked for the American College of Physicians, where she was the program manager for the adult immunization projects including a resident training program. Ms. Gehring served

local health departments as an Immunization Program Analyst, at the National Association for County and City Health Officials where she created the Billing

for Clinical Services Toolkit, provided guidance, and analyzed immunization policy. She worked as an Emergency Planner and Epidemiologist during the H1N1 response at the Toledo-Lucas County Health Department in Ohio and served as an US Peace Corps Environmental and Health volunteer in Morocco. Ms. Gehring is a member

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December meeting photo gallery

Clockwise from top left: Aurora Brusseau, Jody Stone, Cathryn Spitz, Shelly Ogle-Schwent, Jenny Romero; Erica Martinez-Lovato, Dan Burke, Lisa Jacques-Carroll, Amy Groom; Karen Sakala, Bernadette Pacheco, and Renee Tafoya; Julie Weston, Dale Tinker, Kelly Johnson, Donna

Drapeau, Thomas Butler, Amy Bachyrycz, and L.J Tan; Eszter Erdei and Cynthia Rawan; Leeann Cruz, Cheyenne Jim, Mona Mallory, Karen Viola, and Melendy Caboni; David Vigil, L.J Tan and Renee Sussman; Lance Chilton and Anna Pentler.



SHOT BRIEFS

HPV Two Dose Recommendation

CDC now recommends 11-12 year-olds get 2 doses of HPV vaccine rather than the previously recommended 3 doses to protect against cancers caused by HPV. The second dose should be given 6–12 months after the first dose. For teens initiating the HPV vaccine series after age 15, the original 3-dose schedule applies. For more information, visit www.cdc.gov/hpv/index.html. Or read the MMWR report, Meites E, Kempe A, Markowitz LE. "Use of a 2-Dose Schedule for Human Papillomavirus Vaccination-Updated Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization

Practices." MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep 2016;65:1405–1408. DOI: <http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm6549a5>

HPV Toolkit for Partners and State Programs: A new HPV Toolkit (<https://www.cdc.gov/hpv/partners/index.html>) is now available to provide HPV vaccination resources and guidance.

CDC's VaxView website

CDC provides vaccination coverage information that is easily accessible on its VaxView (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/vaxview/index.html>) websites. VaxView pages include ChildVaxView (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/childvaxview/index.html>) for children 19–35 months; SchoolVaxView ([\[coverage/schoolvaxview/index.html\]\(https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/schoolvaxview/index.html\)\) for children attending kindergarten; TeenVaxView \(<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/teenvaxview/index.html>\) for teens 13–17; AdultVaxView \(<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/adultvaxview/index.html>\) for adults 18 years and older; and FluVaxView \(<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/fluview/>\) for everyone 6 months and older. VaxView sites are updated as coverage data is published. Interactive maps, tables, graphs, and dashboards include vaccination coverage estimates and are available for use. A dataset for each report is available in a downloadable Excel file. Contact \[VaxView@cdc.gov\]\(mailto:VaxView@cdc.gov\) for more information.](https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/</p>
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SKIIP 2016 flu season

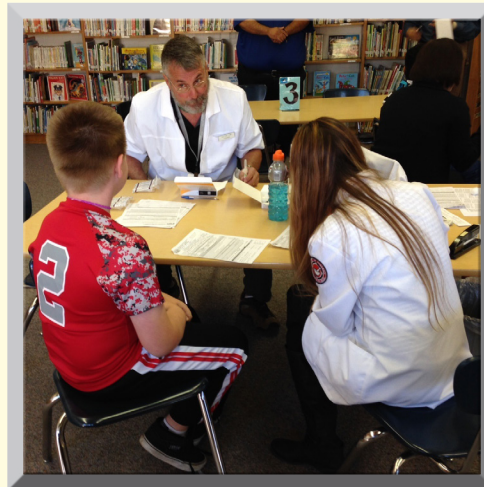
Maggie June

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The School Kids Influenza Immunization Project (SKIIP) is wrapping up its ninth year of vaccinating children against the flu at school. This summer SKIIP was thrown a curve ball when the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices recommended injectable-only influenza vaccine formulation be used this flu season. As you might imagine, this news initially caused a nervous reaction from some school nurses and the SKIIP planning team—especially because SKIIP was initially developed using only the quick and painless FluMist, in response to the 2008 recommendation that all children over 6 months old get vaccinated annually against the flu.

Based on the guidance to use inactivated influenza vaccine only, we worked quickly with the Department of Health Immunization Program to modify the SKIIP vaccine order from the usual 90% FluMist, 10% injectable to 100% injectable, and to decrease the quantity of vaccine since we did not expect as high uptake for the injectable vaccine. The SKIIP committee updated the mandatory SKIIP training to reflect the new injectable-only information.



The committee updates the SKIIP training each year to provide consistent, up to date information. Trainers around the state held live trainings for all vaccinators prior to holding a SKIIP clinic. Training is available online as well, although live trainings are preferred. 2.4 CEUs are provided to licensed professionals who complete the training.

The School Health Advocates worked diligently with school nurses to encourage continued participation. Many schools did decide to participate in SKIIP, offering injectable flu vaccine only, although a few school districts did decline. Vaccine uptake was higher than originally anticipated. We've received positive feedback so far, although some children have been more fearful of receiving a shot rather than a squirt of mist in their nostrils, and there have been more tears. Overall, over 300 schools participated statewide this year, almost 130 schools in the Metro Region and 70 of those schools in the APS school district. Over 10,000 doses of flu vaccine were ordered this flu season, a decrease of more than half from last season's SKIIP vaccine order.

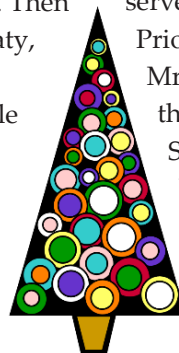
SKIIP clinics are winding down with parents benefiting from the convenience of having their children get their flu shot right at school where they don't have to take time out of their day, nor do they have to wait for a doctor's appointment. Another benefit SKIIP provides is that there is no co-pay to parents. The planning team will debrief in January to review lessons learned and formulate ways to improve the program.

of immunization initiatives including the National Adult Vaccination Program and the National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit (NAIIS). She served as co-chair of the NAIIS Policy and Decision Makers Workgroup and was part of the planning committee for 2014 National Conference on Immunization and Health Coalitions. Rebecca received an MPH in Public Health Administration from the Northwest Ohio Consortium of Public Health, her BA from Marietta College, and a certificate in Leadership.

Also joining the Immunization Program is Lisa Jacques-Carroll who serves as our Program's CDC Public Health Advisor. She is a tremendous asset to our Program. Lisa completed her bachelor's and master's degrees at Michigan State University and then worked for the State of Michigan Immunization Division as their Vaccines for Children Program Coordinator for three

years. She spent six years in CDC's Immunization Services Division as the coordinator for the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program. Then she and her family lived in Almaty, Kazakhstan while her husband was on a CDC assignment. While there she served as a consultant for the World Bank and WHO in Europe and Asia and served as the HIV Prevention Advisor for the USAID Central Asia program. Returning to the US, Lisa worked in CDC's Global Immunization Division as the CDC liaison to the Gavi Alliance coordinating international immunization projects. She began her position as the Public Health Advisor assigned to the New Mexico Immunization Program in August. She has two sons who are 7 and 9 years of age.

The Immunization Program also promoted Erica Martinez-Lovato who now serves as the Program's



Immunization Manager. Mrs. Martinez-Lovato joined the DOH, a little less than two years ago and served as the NMSIIS Manager. Prior to joining the NMDOH, Mrs. Martinez-Lovato, was the staff manager for Human Services Medical Assistance Division (HSD/MAD) and was responsible for the daily program operational oversight and management of MCO contracts and implementation of Care Coordination for Centennial Care. Erica also worked with the Aging and Long Term Services Department where she was the Coordination of Long Term Care (CoLTS) Contract Liaison. Erica facilitated and assisted in ensuring that all statutes that govern Medicare and Medicaid were adhered. Erica has 18 years of experience in State government, is married and has a 9 year-old son and is currently pursuing PMI Certification through UC Berkley.

Happy Holidays!

From Anna, Maggie and Debbie



2017 overview calendar of events

- 1/12 IPAC monthly meeting, 1:30pm
- 1/19 NMIC Steering Committee meeting, 2-4pm
- 1/31 DOH Immunization Training
- 2/16 IPAC monthly meeting, 9:30am-11:30am
- 2/22-23 ACIP meeting, Atlanta
- 3/16 IPAC monthly meeting, 9:30am-11:30am
- 4/20 NMIC Steering Committee meeting, 2-4pm
- 4/22-4/29 National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW)
- 6/15 IPAC monthly meeting, 9:30am-11:30am
- 6/21-22 ACIP meeting, Atlanta
- 7/20 NMIC Steering Committee meeting, 2-4pm
- 7/29-8/12 "Got Shots?" statewide campaign
- 8/11 August NMIC meeting, *tentative*
- 8/17 IPAC monthly meeting, 9:30am-11:30am
- 9/21 IPAC monthly meeting, 9:30am-11:30am

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Dan Burke, NMDOH Infectious Disease Bureau Chief and Anna Dykeman, HealthInsight New Mexico, attend the December 2 meeting hosted by NMIC at the Marriott Pyramid North Hotel in Albuquerque



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