Weekly Wrap Up

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Update: Weekly Wrap Up Purpose and Plan

CDPH appreciates how many emails providers receive, and our intention is to send only the most valuable information. The purpose of the Weekly Wrap Up is to summarize that week's most important updates and crucial information. Going forward, if a particular week didn't have crucial updates or new information to share, we won't send the Weekly Wrap Up on that Friday.

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Preventing Hepatitis B Infection in U.S. Adults

Please join the National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID), the American Pharmacists Association, and the Hepatitis B Foundation for a webinar on the prevention of hepatitis B infection in U.S. adults. Discussion topics will include current U.S. recommendations for hepatitis B vaccination and screening in adults, along with strategies for effective communication of current recommendations.

NFID Medication Director **Robert (Bob) H. Hopkins, Jr., MD**, will moderate the discussion with NFID Director Jean-Venable (Kelly) R. Goode, PharmD, Professor and Director, Virginia Commonwealth University; **Lindsey Sizemore, MPH, CPH**, Clinical Interventions Team Lead, Division of Viral Hepatitis, Centers

for Disease Control and Prevention, and **Su Wang, MD, MPH**, Medical Director, Center for Asian Health, Hepatitis B Foundation.

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Mother's Day is this Sunday, May 12, 2024

Join CDPH in celebrating Mother's Day this Sunday, May 12, 2024, by acknowledging the successes of mothers and birthing parents everywhere and encouraging your pregnant and parenting patients to continue their efforts to vaccinate themselves and their families.

To help keep pregnant patients and their babies safe, CDPH, CDC, and ACOG recommend these life-saving shots during pregnancy:

- Updated COVID-19 vaccine (if not yet received)
- Tdap (27-36 weeks of pregnancy, even if received earlier)
- Flu vaccine (as soon as available during flu season)
- <u>Respiratory Syncytial Virus</u> (RSV) vaccine (September January, between 32 and 36 weeks of pregnancy)

Rates of hospitalization for COVD-19 for young infants of unvaccinated mothers has been as high as rates for older adults. These hospitalizations can be prevented by a dose of a COVID-19 vaccine during pregnancy.

Despite these benefits, vaccination coverage during pregnancy remains low, particularly in Black pregnant people. CDC's new campaign <u>From Me, To You</u>, promotes conversations about vaccinations during pregnancy while supporting the rich cultural legacy of Black parenthood.

Thank you for all that you do to promote and encourage vaccinations during pregnancy! Together, we can improve the health of mothers and their babies this Mother's Day and beyond.

Resources:

- CDPH RSV FAQs page for pregnant people
- ACOG: Labor of Love Podcast Episode 4 A Deep Dive into Maternal Vaccines
- Printable Brochure: <u>Immunizations for a Healthy Pregnancy</u> (Order no-cost versions in English or Spanish using <u>this order form</u>).
- Printable Flyer: <u>Expecting? Protect yourself and your baby against flu, RSV,</u> <u>whooping cough, and COVID-19!</u> (Order no-cost versions in English or

- Spanish using this order form).
- CDPH's Maternal, Child, and Adolescent Health Division <u>Centering Black</u> <u>Mothers in California Report</u>.
- View and download CDC's From Me, To You communication resources.
- Share and promote From Me, To You communication resources, including social media content and graphics, fact sheets, posters, a provider toolkit, and more, amongst your networks.
- Make a <u>strong recommendation</u> and <u>refer</u> or offer <u>recommended vaccinations</u> <u>during pregnancy</u>. View this <u>healthcare provider toolkit</u> for resources.

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Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Transitioning to myCAvax

Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program operations will be transitioning to myCAvax on **June 10, 2024**. MyVFCvaccines will no longer serve as the home for ordering VFC vaccine, submitting returns and transfers, and other VFC Program-related activities. In preparation for the move to myCAvax, we ask that all VFC providers make sure Key Practice Staff changes which occurred after your practice completed the 2024 VFC Recertification are reported to VFC. Additionally, we ask that all VFC providers update storage unit and data logger information as soon as possible to prevent any disruptions to vaccine ordering.

CDPH will begin system training for VFC providers in **late May 2024.** VFC providers who are brand new to myCAvax should attend *'Brand New Provider Training: Getting Started with myCAvax'*. All VFC providers should also attend the below trainings:

- VFC 101: Requesting VFC Vaccine in myCAvax
- VFC 102: Managing VFC Vaccine Inventory in myCAvax

Multiple sessions will be offered for each training. Dates, times, and registration links will be shared in the coming weeks. Stay tuned!

CDPH is here to support you throughout this transition. If you have questions regarding VFC Program requirements or the transition to the myCAvax system, please contact the VFC Customer Service Center at (877) 243-8832.

May - July Holiday Ordering Cadence Calendar for Bridge Access Program (BAP) and State General Fund (SGF) Flu

Providers should remember to set a temporary closure on their myCAvax accounts during holiday closures at their sites. This will ensure that CDPH can exclude any necessary orders from processing to avoid shipping incidents. See Holiday Ordering & Distribution Calendars below for details.

- CA BAP COVID-19 Vaccine Program Holiday Ordering & Distribution
 Cadence Calendar
- <u>CA SGF Flu Vaccine Program Holiday Ordering & Distribution Cadence</u>
 <u>Calendar</u>

Need assistance with adding or updating a temporary closure? Contact the Provider Call Center at 833-502-1245 or via email ProviderCallCenter@cdph.ca.gov.

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Upcoming Webinars

CDPH Immunization Branch Updates for Providers Webinar (occurs every other Friday)

 Register for the next session: Friday, May 17, 2024, 9:00 am - 10:30 am (PT)

Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) Webinar: The State of Vaccine Coverage and Confidence Insights for the Vaccine Conversation

Register for Friday, May 31, 2024, 11:00 am – 12:00 pm (PT)

June 2024 California Immunization Coalition Summit

Registration link for June 5 – 6, 2024, in Sacramento, CA

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Support Opportunities

Provider Call Center

For Program information: email <u>providercallcenter@cdph.ca.gov</u> or call (833) 502-1245 (Monday - Friday, 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, PT)

myCAvax Help Desk

For technical issues (e.g., password resets): email myCAvax.HD@cdph.ca.gov or call (833) 502-1245, (Monday – Friday, 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, PT)

System related training materials are available via the Knowledge Center in myCAvax and at <u>EZIZ.org</u>.

My Turn Help Desk

- Onboarding: email <u>myturnonboarding@cdph.ca.gov</u> Technical support for My Turn Clinic: email <u>MyTurn.Clinic.HD@cdph.ca.gov</u> or call (833) 502-1245, (Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, PT).
- Job aids, demos and training opportunities

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