

Weekly Wrap Up

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Postponed: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Meeting

The ACIP meeting originally scheduled for February 26 – 28, 2025, has been **postponed**. Please stay tuned for updates from CDPH and the [ACIP Meeting Information page](#).

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Reminder: Continue Administering RSV Immunization through March 31, 2025



Please continue recommending and administering RSV immunization to eligible infants and toddlers until the end of March. RSV immunization is the best way to protect our youngest patients from severe illness and hospitalizations. As a reminder, providers may check the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) or ask the birthing parent to download their digital vaccine record at myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov to verify receipt of prenatal RSV vaccine.

For more information, see our [RSV FAQs](#) and [resources](#).

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CDPH Resources to Communicate the Importance of MMR Vaccine

Although measles has been mostly eradicated in the United States, recent outbreaks around the country and world highlight the importance of vaccination. **The measles-mumps-rubella (MMR) vaccine provides the best protection against disease and serious illness.** CDPH strongly recommends MMR to:

- All babies starting at 12 months of age.
- Infants 6 months and older traveling abroad. These babies should still get their 2-dose MMR series starting at 12-15 months.
- Children ages 4 to 6 years due for their 2nd dose.

For more information and resources, visit the [CDPH Measles Communication Toolkit](#). We also encourage you to share personal stories from ShotbyShot.org, a

collection of stories told by people affected by vaccine preventable-diseases, including:

- [Emmalee's Story](#) – Adopted from India to a loving family in Pennsylvania, Emmalee passed away after a rare complication of measles, subacute sclerosing panencephalitis (SSPE). Her story emphasizes the importance of getting the MMR vaccination to prevent disease and death. Share her story with patients.

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Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Updates

For VFC program updates including recertification, flu vaccine ordering, Novavax COVID-19 vaccine expiry, McKesson Depot distribution, RSV immunization of infants with nirsevimab, IIS reporting requirements, and more, please refer to the CDPH Immunization Updates for Providers webinar, Friday, February 21, 2025, slides 23 – 31 ([slides](#) | [video](#)).

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Shingles Awareness Week: February 24 – March 2

Shingles Awareness Week is February 24 - March 2, 2025. Two doses of shingles vaccine is recommended to prevent shingles and related complications in adults aged 19+ years who are [immunocompromised](#) and all adults aged 50+ years. Remind eligible patients that they are due for their shingles vaccine doses.

1 in 3 adults in the U.S. will get shingles.

CDC recommends 2 doses of shingles vaccine for all adults 50+ years and immunocompromised adults aged 19+ years.

Reduce Your Patients' Risk of SHINGLES

Shingles Awareness Week
Feb 24 - March 2, 2025

The shingles vaccine is over 90% effective at preventing shingles and its complications.

Recall patients due for shingles vaccine doses!

Crucial Conversations Webinar: Effective Communication Without Confrontation

Join Dr. Ken Hempstead, MD, FAAP, a primary care pediatrician at Kaiser Permanente Northern California, on Wednesday, March 12, 2025, at 12:00 pm for an insightful webinar.

Dr. Hempstead will discuss common pitfalls in healthcare conversations and offer effective techniques to improve comfort, confidence, and success in these interactions.

This will be an interactive webinar, with time dedicated to questions and discussion with Dr. Hempstead and subject matter experts from CDPH.

Date: Wednesday, March 12, 2025

Time: 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm (PT)

[Registration Link](#)

Upcoming Webinars

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

- [Register](#) for the next session: Friday, March 7, 2025, 9:00 am – 10:30 am (PT)

Crucial Conversations: Effective Communication Without Confrontation

- [Register](#) for Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 12:00 pm – 1:30 pm (PT)

Schools' Webinar for VFC Enrollment

- [Register](#) for Wednesday, April 9, 2025, 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm (PT)

California Immunization Coalition 2025 Annual Summit (In-person Event), CME available

- [Tuesday, April 29 – Wednesday, April 30, 2025](#)

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Immunization Provider Call Center

For program information: Email providercallcenter@cdph.ca.gov 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.

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Onboarding: email myturnonboarding@cdph.ca.gov

Technical support for My Turn Clinic: email MyTurn.Clinic.HD@cdph.ca.gov or call (833) 502-1245 (Monday – Friday 8:00 am – 5:00 pm, PT).

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Vaccines for Children (VFC) Customer Service Center

For program information: Email MyVFCVaccines@cdph.ca.gov or call (877) 243-8832 (Monday – Thursday, 9:00 am – 4:30 pm, PT; Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, PT).

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