## Weekly Wrap Up

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### **National Immunization Awareness Month: Adolescents**

August is <u>National Immunization Awareness Month</u> (NIAM). This annual observance highlights the importance of vaccination for people of all ages. Together, we can help raise awareness about the importance of vaccination and encourage people to talk to a healthcare provider they trust about staying up to date on their vaccinations.

Each week of NIAM has a different focus: this week focus is on adolescents. To protect against many serious vaccine-preventable diseases, <u>adolescents should receive</u>:

- Tdap vaccine to protect against tetanus, diphtheria, and whooping cough (pertussis)
- HPV (human papillomavirus) vaccine to protect against cancers caused by HPV
- Meningococcal conjugate vaccine (MenACWY) to protect against the devastating effects of bacterial meningitis; teens and young adults may also be vaccinated with a serogroup B meningococcal vaccine
- Flu vaccine every year to protect against influenza

• COVID-19 vaccine for children ages 6 months and older

#### California HPV Vaccine Week

To go along with the observance of NIAM and this week dedicated to adolescent immunizations, there's also California HPV Vaccine Week, August 4 – 10, an annual observance held the first full week of August. The goal of this campaign is to increase awareness of the HPV vaccine and promote the vaccination of adolescents ages 9 – 13. California HPV Vaccine Week is a great way for families, providers, coalitions supporting children's health, and local health departments to get out the message about the importance of the HPV vaccine as cancer prevention.

#### How can you help?

- Review the <u>campaign toolkit</u> and share content on social media, in newsletters, or during meetings/webinars.
- Check out the video, <u>HPV and Cancer: Get Vaccinated</u>, created by our colleagues at UC San Diego Health. Considering sharing this video - or one created by you and your own staff - with the families you take care of.

#### Resources for Parents of Adolescents:

- Adolescent Vaccine Schedule for Parents (CDC)
- Vaccines for Your Preteen flyer (<u>English</u> | <u>Spanish</u> | <u>Arabic</u>| <u>Chinese</u> | <u>Hmong</u> |
  <u>Russian</u> | <u>Tagalog</u> | <u>Ukrainian</u> | <u>Vietnamese</u>)
- How Important is HPV Vaccine for Preteens and Teens flyer (<u>English</u> | <u>Spanish</u> | <u>Arabic</u> | <u>Chinese</u> | <u>Hmong</u> | <u>Russian</u> | <u>Tagalog</u> | <u>Ukrainian</u> | <u>Vietnamese</u>)
- Factsheet on Serogroup B Meningococcal Vaccines

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## **Updated Resource: COVID-19 Medical Coverage Changes**

As of July 25, 2024, the <u>COVID-19 Medical Coverage Changes resource</u> has been updated to align with current available state funded programs. The resource provides information on coverage for vaccines, treatment, and testing.

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## **Suggested Message: Vaccinate for "Perfect 10" Protection**

Share this Olympics-themed <u>message</u> encouraging Californians to stay up to date on their vaccines to protect themselves and others from vaccine preventable diseases!

Back-to-school season is also around the corner. Parents and caretakers should schedule their children and teens to get their recommended and required vaccines before school starts. Families can visit the <a href="CDPH Immunization Branch">CDPH Immunization Branch</a> and <a href="ShotsforSchool">ShotsforSchool</a> webpages for information on immunization laws and <a href="required vaccinations">required vaccinations</a> for students in California. Children without insurance coverage qualify for the <a href="Vaccines for Children Program">Vaccines for Children Program</a>, providing no-cost vaccines for eligible children.

Learn more about routine vaccines.

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## Reminder: Ordering of HHS-Procured JYNNEOS is Now Closed

Please use your normal channels to order JYNNEOS, including through commercial markets. The vaccine has also been added to the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.

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## **Paxlovid Ordering for Certain Federally Related Entities**

Certain federally related entities, such as the HRSA-funded health centers and Indian Health Services, can continue to order Paxlovid in Health Partner Ordering Portal (HPOP) from the remaining U.S. government (USG) inventory while those supplies last. For the most up to date information on access to COVID-19 therapeutics, please visit the <u>ASPR Sunsetting the U.S. Government COVID-19</u> Therapeutics Distribution Program.

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## **Upcoming Webinars & Trainings**

#### **Emerging Conversations: Preparing Patients for International Travel**

• Register for Tuesday, August 6, 2024, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (PT)

# Vaccines for Adults (VFA) Webinar: Charting the Course for the Vaccines for Adults Program

Register for Wednesday, August 7, 2024, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (PT)

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

Register for the next session on Friday August 9, 2024, 9:00 am – 10:30 am (PT)

#### Promising Practices to Improve Pediatric COVID-19 Immunization Rates Toolkit

• Register for the webinar on Friday, August 9, 2024, 11:00 am (PT)

#### Virtual Grand Rounds – Rising Valley Fever in California

Register for the webinar on Tuesday, August 20, 2024, 12:00 pm – 1:00 pm (PT)

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## **Support Opportunities**

#### **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.

#### My Turn Help Desk

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).

Job aids, demos, and training opportunities

#### **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; Friday, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm, PT).

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