# NDIIS Collaboration With Other Public Health Programs

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- The North Dakota Immunization Information System (NDIIS) is a confidential, population-based, computerized information system that attempts to collect vaccination data for all North Dakotans.
  - Lifespan system that includes infants, children, adolescents and adults
    - Have approximately 92% of adults represented in the IIS
- Established in 1988 as a modem, dial-up system
- The NDIIS is a grantee-developed (i.e. homegrown) IIS
  - The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) contracted with Noridian Mutual Insurance Company (NMIC), formally Blue Cross/Blue Shield of North Dakota (BCBSND), in 1996 to develop the current web-based system.
  - The NDIIS is still currently hosted and supported by NMIC.



### NDIS Background

- ND Century Code requires North Dakota providers enter all childhood (18 years of age and younger) immunizations into the NDIIS within 4 weeks of administration.
  - There are more than 1.1 million active client records in the NDIIS.
  - There are more than 12.1 million dose records in the NDIIS.
- 96.9% of immunization data is entered into the NDIIS within 30 days of administration.
  - 75.8% is entered within one day.
- As of March 2017, the NDIIS is receiving electronic immunization data from the electronic health record (EHR) system of 291 individual provider locations.
  - 229 providers are connected through our state-wide health information exchange (HIE) the North Dakota Health Information Network (NDHIN).
  - These providers represent approximately 72% of all immunizations reported to the NDIIS.



### NDIIS-Immunization Program Collaboration

- The NDIIS is integrated into every component of the NDDoH Immunization Program.
- The NDIIS is used to support Immunization Program Operations Manual (IPOM) goals and activities.
- NDIIS data is used to evaluate and prioritize program activities.
- Non-IIS staff play a role in developing business requirements for NDIIS functionality with the NDIIS manager.
  - Participate in end-user testing of new functionality
- Non-IIS staff are trained on the NDIIS and are able to provide support for users.
- NDIIS staff have attended VFC and AFIX site visits.
- NDIIS staff are involved in pandemic planning.



### O Key Partnerships

### Partnerships

- The NDIIS team and North Dakota Immunization Program have developed several key partnerships with immunization stakeholders and other public health programs in North Dakota.
- These partnerships are all working towards a common goal of improving the health of North Dakotans.
- Key NDIIS Partnerships:
  - ND Department of Health Field Epidemiologists, Vaccine Preventable Disease (VPD) Coordinator and Disease Surveillance Program
  - Ryan White Program
  - North Dakota Cancer Coalition and Cancer Registry



- In 2014, the CDC Sentinel Site project provided supplemental funding to the six IIS sentinel sites to explore data exchange with other public health registries.
- As part of this work, the NDIIS established a HL7 query/response connection to the NDDoH disease surveillance system, Maven, in December 2015.
  - Maven is used for electronic reportable disease surveillance in North Dakota.
    - Collects and stores data for 77 different diseases including foodborne outbreaks, sexually transmitted infections (STI), HIV and TB cases and VPDs.
  - It's used for case management, contact tracing and outbreak management.
- Investigations for VPDs use NDIIS data to determine the vaccination status of cases and contacts.
- Use NDIIS to verify the hepatitis B vaccination status of infants born to hepatitis B positive mothers as part of the perinatal hepatitis B program.



- ND Department of Health Field Epidemiologists and VPD Coordinator manually trigger the query to the NDIIS from Maven.
- If a matching record is found for the case in the NDIIS, the last name, first name, birthdate, gender, address, city, state and zip code as well as the vaccine history are sent back to Maven and displayed for the user.
  - Primary matching is done using first and last name and birthdate.
    - The NDIIS has additional matching logic in place when an exact match is not found using these three initial matching criteria.
  - Vaccine history displayed in Maven is filtered by CVX code, so only vaccines relevant to the disease investigation are displayed for the user.
    - HPV vaccines are displayed for all STI cases.
    - All vaccines are displayed for HIV cases.



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Result First Name		BLPJWPUBORS			
Result Birth Date		07/12/2011			
Result Gender		Male			
Result Address					
Result City		GRAND FORKS			
Result State		ND ▼			
Result Zip		58203			
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Lot						
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Lot						
Manufacturer	Unknown					
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Date given	02/08/2008					
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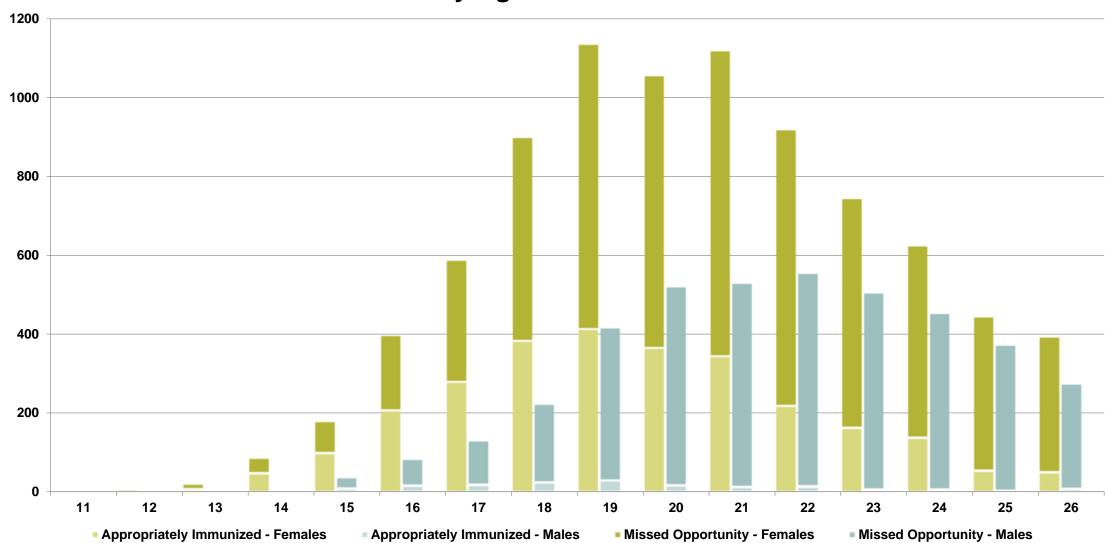
- Benefits of this partnership:
  - Reduces data entry for Field Epidemiologists and the VPD Coordinator.
  - More accurate vaccination history available for disease case investigations.
  - NDIIS demographic data can be used to update missing information in Maven.
  - Provides potential for new research looking at immunization rates for individuals diagnosed with reportable diseases in North Dakota.



- Missed Opportunities for HPV Vaccination Among Patients Diagnosed with Sexually Transmitted Infections in North Dakota, 2010 - 2014
  - Tatia Hardy, a University of North Dakota Medical Student and previous ND Immunization Program employee, completed a project that evaluated HPV immunization coverage rates amongst reported STI cases and missed opportunities for HPV vaccination at the time of diagnosis.
  - Data from Maven was reviewed to find patients diagnosed with chlamydia, gonorrhea or syphilis from January 1, 2010 through December 31, 2014 in North Dakota.
    - Mandatory reportable conditions in North Dakota
  - Data from the NDIIS and Maven were linked to determine the HPV vaccination status for the STI cases.
  - For the purposes of this study, missed opportunities were identified when HPV vaccine was not administered on or within 5 days of the STI diagnosis data.



#### HPV Immunization Status at STI Diagnosis, by Age and Gender





#### Conclusions:

- Ideally, these individuals should have been vaccination against HPV, prior to sexual encounter.
- While the percentage of missed opportunities decreased over the five years studied, this was likely reflective of increased HPV vaccine coverage prior to STI diagnosis.
- Missed opportunities were more likely to occur for older individuals, males, and black/African American individuals.
- Providers of sexual health services in North Dakota may benefit from further education, training, or resources in order to decrease missed opportunities for HPV vaccination.
  - Vaccinate when testing for STIs!



#### Ryan White Program

- Individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS are recommended to receive additional immunizations above what is normally recommended for their age group.
- The NDIIS does not capture information about high risk conditions.
  - The NDIIS clinical decision support for immunization (CDSi) functionality does not include rules to forecast for high risk conditions.
- The Ryan White Program Coordinator at the NDDoH and the Ryan White case managers did not previously have access to the NDIIS and did not discuss vaccines with their clients.

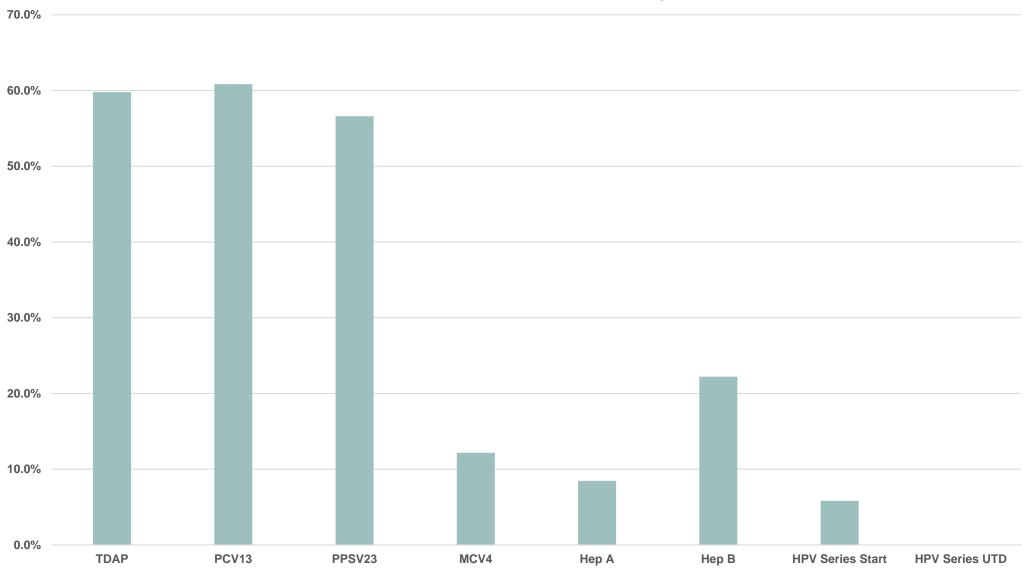


### Ryan White Program

- Ryan White Program Coordinator provided the ND Public Health Associate (PHA), who works for the ND Immunization Program, with the names of their Ryan White clients.
- The PHA looked up the NDIIS client ID for each Ryan White client (n=189).
- Using the NDIIS client IDs, the NDIIS Manager worked with the PHA to pull data from the NDIIS for the vaccine history for all of the Ryan White clients.
- Using SAS, the NDIIS vaccination history for all of the Ryan White clients were evaluated to:
  - determine which vaccines each of the clients had already received and which vaccines they still needed
  - and to determine the rate of Ryan White clients up-to-date with the recommendations for individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS.

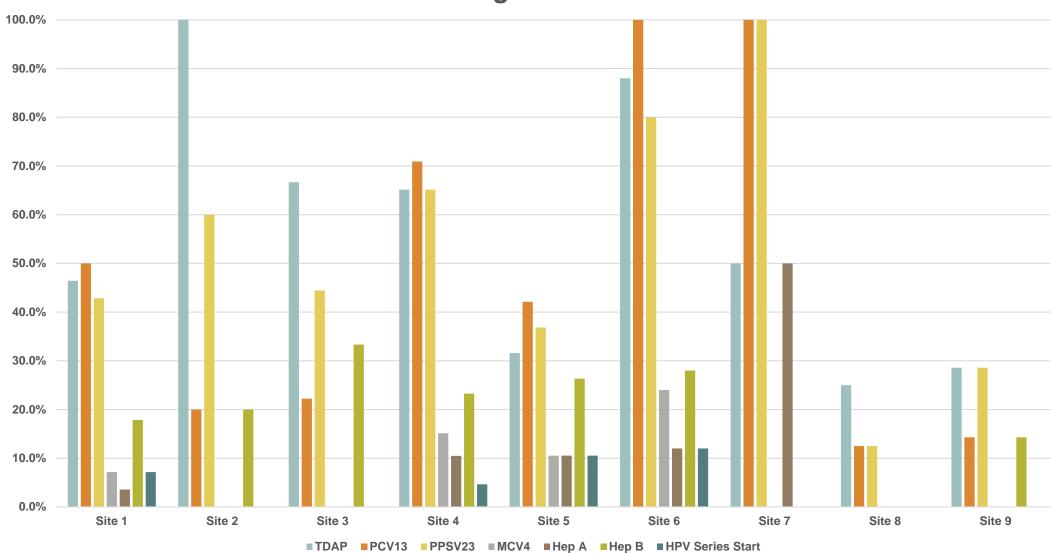


#### **Baseline Immunization Rates for Ryan White Clients**





### Baseline Immunization Rates for Ryan White Clients by Program Site





### Ryan White Program

- Letters were provided to all of the Ryan White case managers for each of their clients.
  - Each letter provided details on:
    - the vaccine recommendations for individuals diagnosed with HIV/AIDS,
    - which vaccine the individual client still needs to receive,
    - where they could receive the recommended vaccines,
    - and information about insurance coverage of the vaccines.
- Immunization rates for Ryan White clients will be evaluated at 30, 60 and 90 days after the date the letters were sent to the case managers.
- Process for generating the client forecasts and assessing rates will be repeated every 6
  months during program enrollment and re-enrollment.
- Benefits of this partnership:
  - Provides education to the Ryan White program about immunization recommendations for their clients.
  - o Provides details to case managers about healthcare needs of their individual clients.
  - Provides an opportunity for case managers to educate their clients on immunization recommendations.



#### Cancer Coalition

- Since 2012, the NDIIS manager has actively participated in an HPV workgroup sponsored by the ND Cancer Coalition (NDCC).
- Working with members of the HPV workgroup, the NDIIS Manager codeveloped educational materials for the Cancer Coalition and the Immunization Program to make available to healthcare providers and the general public.
  - NDIIS data was used to produce HPV vaccination rates for the educational materials.
  - Educational materials include:
    - Powerpoint presentations for healthcare providers
    - Powerpoint presentations for parents of teens
    - Informational documents on oral cancer for the ND Dental Association
- The Immunization Program and Cancer Coalition co-write news releases every year for cervical cancer awareness month.



#### Cancer Coalition

- NDIIS immunization rate data is used to set HPV-related goals and benchmarks for Cancer Division grants.
- The Immunization Program and Cancer Coalition have worked together to provide funding for ND healthcare providers to implement programs and best practices for increasing HPV vaccination rates for their patients.
- Benefits of this partnership:
  - More detailed and well-rounded educational materials are produced that include information on HPV-related cancers as well as HPV vaccination as cancer prevention.
  - HPV workgroup provides opportunities for the immunization program to work with other types of healthcare providers, like dentists, to education the community about HPV vaccine and prevention of HPV-related cancers.



### Cancer Registry

- The NDIIS team completed a data match project with the North Dakota State Cancer Registry (NDSCR) to:
  - o assess baseline shared data between the two systems,
  - and to assess the vaccination status for human papillomavirus (HPV)-related cancer cases.
- Want to better understand HPV vaccination patterns among individuals diagnosed with a HPV-related cancer in North Dakota.
- Work on this project could help inform future tracking of HPV-related disease outcomes and vaccine efficacy in North Dakota.



### Cancer Registry

#### What we found:

- There was a high rate of overall shared data between the two systems.
- Looking at how many individuals with any diagnosed cancer in the NDSCR have a record in the NDIIS, found a match rate of 54%.
- A high number of HPV-related cancer cases found a matching NDIIS record.

#### Limitations:

- Matching records between the two systems relied on variable text fields (i.e. first and last name) that may vary in format.
- The lack of adult reporting mandate for the NDIIS means adult records may not be complete in the NDIIS.
- Although cancer cases are required to be reported to the NDSCR, they don't mandate the reporting of pre-cancerous conditions.



### Cancer Registry

- Benefits of this partnership:
  - Establishment of the collaborative relationship between the NDIIS and the NDSCR is fundamental to the success of future projects.
  - Both the NDIIS and NDSCR belong to the ND Department of Health, so no data use agreements are needed in order for the two teams to collaborate.
  - There are a number of potential future projects that can be completed by the NDIIS and NDSCR teams.
    - New project currently underway to assess the influenza vaccination status of individuals diagnosed with cancer, specifically those with leukemia.



#### Partnerships

- All of these partnerships have led to new opportunities for the Immunization Program to provide education to healthcare providers and the public.
- Hopeful that continued collaboration with all of our partners will lead to increased vaccination rates, particularly in vulnerable populations like those diagnosed with cancer or HIV.
- Continued collaboration will help achieve our common goal of improving the health of North Dakotans.





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