AIRA MONTHLY UPDATE

NOVEMBER 2016 IN REVIEW

MONTHLY UPDATE AT A GLANCE

THREE IIS PILOT NEW ADDRESS CLEANSING SERVICE

In November, the Joint Development and Implementation pilot project successfully connected three IIS to SmartyStreets, the address cleansing service chosen by the workgroup. Delaware, Florida and Washington State all ran sample batch data through SmartyStreets. In the next two months, they will perform up to 500,000 address/geocoding lookups using their own data. The Joint Development and Implementation workgroup will evaluate their aggregate outcomes to determine the viability of a community-wide roll-out of the service. At the same time, they will test User Interface and HL7 real-time connections in an effort to draft a comprehensive Implementation Guidance document for a broader launch of the SmartyStreets service in late Spring 2017, pending pilot success. If you have questions or would like more information about this project, please contact AIRA Senior Project Manager Maureen Neary.

DECEMBER AT AIRA

- December 2nd, 1 – 2 pm ET: **Joint Development & Implementation Advisory Workgroup**

- December 5th, 2:30 – 3:30pm ET: **Executive Committee Meeting**

- December 6th, 2 – 3pm ET: **Assessment Steering Committee Meeting**

- December 7th, 3 – 4 pm ET: **AIRA 2017-2019 Strategic Plan Webinar**

- December 8th, 2 – 3 pm ET: **HL7 Immunization User Group**

- December 14th, 1 – 2 pm ET: **Standards & Interoperability Steering Committee Meeting**

- December 15th, 4 – 5 pm ET: **MIROW Meeting**

- December 19th, 2– 3:30 pm ET: **AIRA Board Meeting**

- December 19th, 4-5 pm ET: **ESC Webinar: Getting Meaningful Use Stage 3 Webinar**

- December 21st, 1 – 2 pm ET: **Education Steering Committee Meeting**

- December 21st, 3 – 4 pm ET: **WIR Joint Development & Implementation User Group Meeting**

SAMPLE BUDGET JUSTIFICATION: AIRA NATIONAL MEETING

As you prepare your budgets for the upcoming budget cycle, we want to remind you about travel for the AIRA 2017 National Meeting that you might consider including your budget planning. To assist you, AIRA has prepared sample language describing this meeting that you can customize for your budgets.

Sample Budget Justification – AIRA 2017 National Meeting:

The American Immunization Registry Association (AIRA) is committed to supporting and promoting the development, implementation and interoperability of Immunization Information Systems (IIS). The annual AIRA National Meeting, dedicated to advancing IIS together, provides attendees with the opportunity to strengthen long-term partnerships, develop new relationships, gain professional education and training, and learn from one another.

Past topics have included: Interoperability, Data Quality, Data Use, Technical Capacity/Integration, Successful Partnerships/Collaborations, IIS Enhancements, and Funding & IIS Management. The IIS Manager, *[insert name]* and *[insert name and title of others who will attend]* will attend the 2017 AIRA National Meeting in Chicago, IL on April 11-13, 2017. Estimated expenses: 1 trip * # of persons * $x per trip

Sample Budget for AIRA 2017 National Meeting

Registration fee ($475 member or $575 non-member early bird rate)	$
Hotel ($179/night + 16.4% tax * # of nights)	$
Ground Transportation	$
Airfare	$
Meals ($56/day * # of days)	$
Total:	$

NEARLY 50 ORGANIZATIONS HAVE JOINED AIRA, HAS YOURS?

Close to 50 organizations have joined AIRA membership for the current 2016-2017 membership year. A list of all AIRA's current members and partners can be viewed here. Benefits of AIRA membership include member discounts to register for the AIRA 2017 National Meeting, voting benefits, use of an AIRA member logo, receipt of AIRA publications and access to member-only resources. AIRA membership can be paid:

By **phone**: (202) 759-0186
We accept credit card payments over the phone

Online at www.immregistries.org/member-resources

By **check** mailed to AIRA at:
1155 F Street NW, Suite 1050
Washington, DC 20004

AIRA basic membership is $300 per year. If you are interested in basic or gold membership ($1,500 per year) and would like to request an invoice, please call (202) 759-0186 or email Ketti Turcato at kturcato@immregistries.org. We look forward to hearing from you soon!

AIRA NATIONAL MEETING TRAINING & EDUCATION PACKAGE

AIRA is now offering a Training & Education Package for $2,400 to cover all eligible expenses for the AIRA 2017 National Meeting. The AIRA Training Package will cover eligible expenses including meeting registration fees, hotel lodging, meals and incidentals, airfare, checked baggage, airport parking, and ground transportation costs. All expenses will be covered in accordance with AIRA's travel policies and procedures. If you are interested in purchasing this package or have any questions, please contact Ketti Turcato.

CDSI CORNER: RESOURCES AND HPV UPDATES

The CDSi project updated two important resources recently:

- The test case resources have been expanded to include test cases for patients with underlying conditions which may indicate or contraindicate vaccination. These test cases are published as their own spreadsheet and incorporate concepts from the latest Logic Specification (version 3.0).
- The Training Material has been entirely revamped and is geared to be shorter and more pointed than previous training material, including an interactive self-assessment, quick guide, and practice exercises. The new training material can be found here: www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/iis/cdsi-training.html.
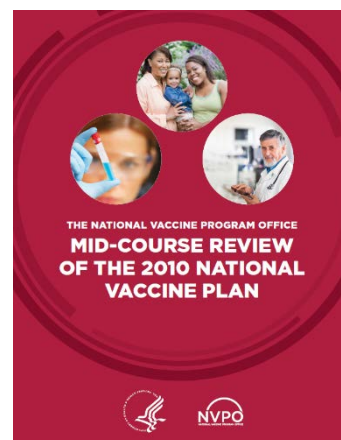
In October, ACIP voted to approve a 2-dose HPV schedule. The formal recommendation is tentatively scheduled to be released in a mid-December MMWR. The CDSi project will update resources soon after the MMWR is published.

MID-COURSE REVIEW OF 2010 NVP REPORT AVAILABLE

In an email to colleagues, Bruce Gellin, MD, MPH, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health and Director of the National Vaccine Program Office, shared that the mid-course review of the 2010 National Vaccine Plan (NVP) report is now available here. An excerpt from Dr. Gellin's email is below:

> Initially created in 1994 and updated in 2010, the NVP provides a roadmap for maximizing the impact that vaccines can have on the health of individuals and communities through a guiding vision for vaccines and immunization in the United States. This review was conducted to ensure the NVP is responsive to changes in the vaccine and immunization system as well as stakeholder priorities and progress.

> The NVPO Mid-Course Review report was developed through a highly collaborative effort-- involving input from federal and non-federal stakeholders across the immunization system. The report identifies top immunization system achievements, opportunity areas primed for near-term success, indicators to measure progress, and considerations for continued operation and coordination of the NVP.

To view the mid-course NVP report, please visit www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/nvpo-midcourse-review-final.pdf.

NOVEMBER RECAP

Assessment Steering Committee

- The Assessment Steering Committee (ASC) met on November 1st and received progress updates on several key projects including an Addendum to the [Analytic Guide for Assessing Vaccination Coverage Using an IIS](), phase II of the Data Quality Project, and the new coverage assessment project. An Addendum to the Analytic Guide is estimated to be completed by the end of the year. Work has already begun for phase II of the Data Quality Project and will focus on incoming and outgoing data monitoring processes. The tentative goal is to have a draft out for review by the AIRA National Meeting in April 2017. The next coverage assessment project will develop a single guide that on interpreting and communicating National Immunization Survey (NIS), IIS and other coverage assessment results and methodologies. The first workgroup meeting was held on November 16th.

Standards and Interoperability Steering Committee

- The Standards and Interoperability Steering Committee (SISC) met on November 9th and received an update on the Functional Guide. The first pass at the Functional Guide was presented and sent out for the committee to review. On the December call, the SISC will have the opportunity to discuss the guide's value, how it can be improved, and to identify more functional requirements that might be missing. The Functional Guide Workgroup will take this feedback and incorporate it into the latest version of the Functional Guide. Once the guide has been approved by the SISC it will be sent out for community review.
- The Technical Workgroup met on November 16th and reviewed the discussion and outcomes from the October call. On the last call, the workgroup agreed to include a demographic only profile in the next version of the Implementation Guide (IG). Rob Savage was invited to discuss what this might look like. The workgroup decided to include a demographics only use case in the IG, but provide guidance that if systems by local agreement decide to exchange demographic only data, they do it using an Admit, Discharge and Transfer (ADT) message, and that the ADT message mimic the format of the unsolicited vaccine record update (VXU) message as closely as possible. The workgroup would also redefine the VXU to include at least one order group. Due to the holidays, the December SISC Technical workgroup meeting has been canceled.

Education Steering Committee

- The Education Steering Committee (ESC) met on November 16th and reviewed the latest and nearly finalized draft of the Education Survey which will be sent out to the AIRA membership before the end of the year. The next edition of [Snapshots]() is set to be released in mid-December.
- The ESC will be hosting a webinar on Getting Meaningful Use Stage 3 Ready on December 19th at 4pm ET. For more information, including registration details and a calendar appointment, please visit the [AIRA website]().

MIROW Steering Committee

- The MIROW Steering Committee met on November 17th and welcomed two new committee members, Tracy Little from OR and Amy Metroka from NYC. The steering committee started preliminary planning for an in-person strategic planning meeting for next summer. The goal is to develop strategies for updating current MIROW reference materials and new topics moving forward. The current topic, consolidating records, is still underway and will be in progress until spring/summer of 2017.