

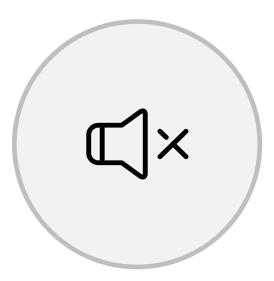
AIRA Members & Partners Quarterly Meeting

April 20, 2020

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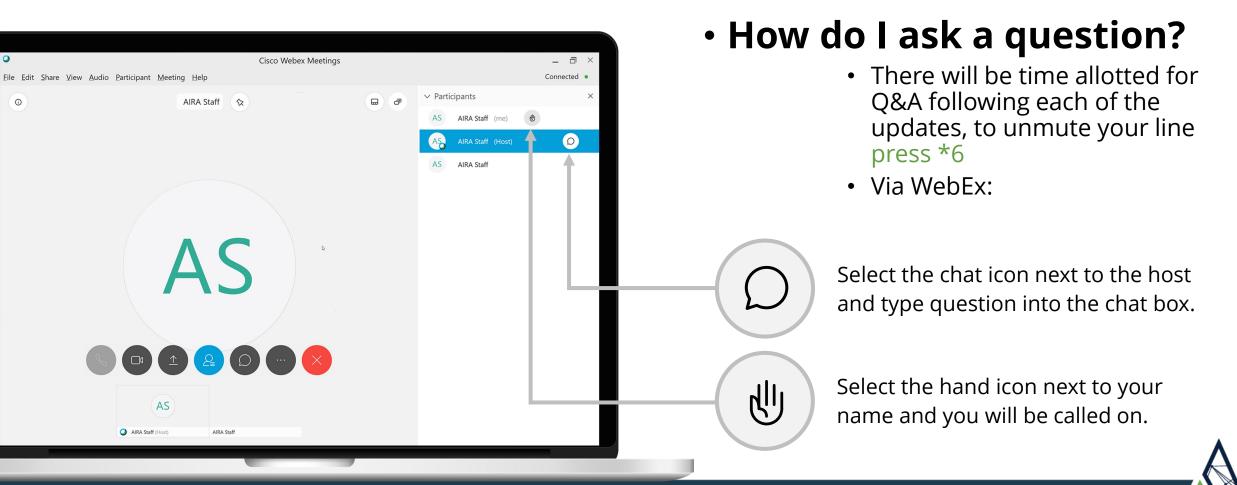
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National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD) Update

Lynn Gibbs-Scharf



National Center for Immunization & Respiratory Diseases



IISSB Update: AIRA Members and Partners Call

Lynn Gibbs-Scharf

Branch Chief, Immunization Information Systems Support Branch

April 20, 2020

IISSB COVID-19 Response Overview

Goal: All IISs are ready to manage and track COVID-19 vaccine ordering, distribution, assessment of coverage, and data sharing

IISSB Role:

- Clearly articulate the IIS capabilities needed for the response
- Identify gaps in current capability and assist awardees and IIS vendors in developing plans to address gaps
- Provide support so all awardees can effectively respond

IISSB Guiding Principles & Priorities

- Engage partners, vendors, and awardees to gather insights to inform planning
- Minimize the burden to the awardees
- Continue to provide support for the cooperative agreement, technical projects (codesets),
 etc.

IISSB COVID-19 Response – Current Activities Overview

Define IIS capability requirements for COVID response

Identify current capabilities of all awardees'

Develop COVID response plans to meet response requirements

Support implementation of awardee-specific COVID response plans

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Working with Task
Force to define
capabilities that are
required of the IISs to
meet the needs of the
COVID-19 response
based on current
planning assumptions

Understand current IIS capabilities, identify gaps between current state and capabilities needed for the COVID response

Use findings to identify the enhancements required for all IISs to meet the defined capability requirements. Develop awardee/vendorspecific COVID response plans to attain the desired endstate

Support the implementation of awardee-specific plans for COVID response activities through CDC TA. Considering methods to provide onsite awardee staff augmentation, technology solutions, etc.

Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) Update

Claire Hannan



Public Health Informatics Institute (PHII) Update

Erin Roche



American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Update

Dana Bright



Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) Update

Laurel Wood





IAC Update

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IAC & COVID-19

IAC is currently:

- Providing links to other major organizations (e.g., CDC, AAP, AAFP) for COVID-19 guidance
- Spotlighting Clinic Tools: Administering Vaccines (www.immunize.org/clinic/administering-vaccines.asp)
 - To highlight readily available resources for providers who may be newly assigned to immunization delivery
- Continuing to provide updated information in weekly online newsletter, IAC Express (www.immunize.org/express)



New handouts at www.immunize.org

 Dates of Current Vaccine Information Statements (p2055)

New releases (April 1, 2020)

- DTaP
- Td
- Tdap
- Multi-vaccine
- Yellow Fever
- Two new handouts related to vaccine science and safety



Science Supports Our Confidence in Vaccines – An Overview of the Scientific Evidence Favoring Routine Vaccination

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SCIENCE IS KEY

Vaccines are remarkable scientific achievements that have greatly reduced rates of death and disease around the world. This document begins to explain the science underpinning public confidence in today's vaccines. Each segment provides part of the total picture. Together, the accumulated scientific evidence explains the prudence of routine vaccination policies.

Vaccines are the safest of all medications.

- Before FDA licensing, vaccines are studied in larger populations than are other drugs.

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- Once licensed and put to use, multiple layers of safety surveillance continue as long as the vaccines are distributed.

Every scientific authority recommends routine vaccination. This includes the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Food and Drug Administration, American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Family Practitioners, American College of Obstetricians and Cynecologists, American Medical Association, American Nurses Association, American Pharmacists Association, National Academy of Medicine, and World Health Organization, plus every state health department, every city health department, and every children's hospital.

DISCUSSION POINTS

Vaccines do not cause autism.

BACKGROUN

A 1998 British journal article making a claim of a connection between the measles vaccine and the development of autism was retracted by the journal's editors, who said they had been deceived. The author was found guilty by the United Kingdom General Medical Council of dishonesty and flouting ethics protocols. As a result, they revoked his license to practice medicine.^{1,2} In spite of these rebukes, the erroneous belief that vaccination causes autism took hold with a small group.

SCIENCE

- Vaccinated children develop autism at the same rate as unvaccinated children.^{3,4}
- A litany of well-controlled studies show that vaccines do not cause autism 3-8
- Properly designed studies involving over 1.2 million children established
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- no links between vaccines and autism or autism spectrum disorder. 4.8

 Scientists agree: Vaccines do not cause autism.

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- 8-page handout
- Describes the science underpinning confidence in today's vaccines
- Explains rationale for routine vaccination polices
- Covers wide variety of topics:
 - Vaccines & autism
 - Purpose of various vaccine components
 - Remote link to fetal-origin cell lines for certain viral vaccines
 - US court decisions on vaccine requirements
 - Why we vaccinate children at a young age
 - How vaccines are studied before licensure
 - VICP & VAERS



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The Vaccine Injury Compensation Program of 1986 An Effective Balance of Public Health and Personal Remedy

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The U.S. government created a generous compensation program in 1986 for people claiming harm after vaccination and, in exchange, limited their ability to sue manufacturers. To help policy-makers understand the background and facts behind this liability program, the Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) developed this educational document, based in part on legal analysis by Dorit Rubinstein Reiss, JD, PhD, professor, University of California Hastings College of Law, and the book Vaccine Court: The Law and Politics of Injury, by Anna Kirkland, 2016.

Background: The Situation in the 1980s

Vaccines are exceedingly safe but, like any medication, they have side-effect profiles. Vaccines are the safest of medications. Before FDA licensing, vaccines are studied in larger populations than are other drugs. Once licensed and put to use, multiple layers of safety surveillance continue as long as the vaccines are distributed.

The Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) is a no-fault alternative to the traditional legal system for resolving petitions claiming injury after vaccination. (www.hrsa.gov/vaccine-compensation/index.html)

In the 1980s, lawsuits against vaccine companies and healthcare providers threatened to cause vaccine shortages and
reduce U.S. vaccination rates. By the end
of 1984, only one manufacture of diphtheria-tetanus-pertussis (DTP) vaccine
remained. Reduced vaccination rates could
have caused a resurgence of serious diseases that routine vaccination can prevent
(e.g., diphtheris, tetanus, pertussis, poliomyelitis, measles, mumps, rubella).

In the 1980s, people claiming vaccine injuries were not satisfied with a liability situation where the path to compensation was arduous and uncertain.

The U.S. Congress responded with the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA) of 1986 (42 U.S.C. §§300aa-1 to 300aa-34). The program balances liability protections for manufacturers with a clearer pathway for petitioners.

Any individual, of any age, who received a covered vaccine, and believes he or she was injured as a result, can file a petition. Parents, legal guardians and legal representatives can file on behalf of children, disabled adults, and individuals who are deceased.

The Vaccine Injury Compensation Program

V(VCP) is widely considered a success in balancing society's need to protect its children from serious infections through an ample vaccine supply with an easier compensation mechanism to provide remedles in cases of adverse events that could have been caused by a vaccine.

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The Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) Details

The VICP program is **funded by an excise tax** on each dose of specified vaccine as it is purchased.

The VICP is administered jointly by the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, the Department of Justice, and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims. Citizen input is provided by the Advisory Commission on Childhood Vaccines (ACCV).

Table are presumed to have been caused by the vaccine cited in the list. Such claims are processed in a streamlined, no-fault fashion. Claims for other adverse events not included in the Table can also be considered.

The VICP has paid out more than \$4 billion to petitioners over 30+ years. The no-fault character of this program means that being awarded compensation does not necessarily mean a vaccine caused an alleged injury.

Between 2006 to 2017, over 3.4 billion doses of vaccines covered by VICP were distributed in the U.S., with 4,493 petitions or claims receiving compensation under VICP.²

Comparison of VICP to Litigation in Civil Courts

Petitioners do not have to provide evidence of a defect in a vaccine's design, or any defect.

Causation standards are more lenient than in civil courts.

The rules of evidence are relaxed – petitioners can use non-experts and bring in materials (e.g., personal diary) that would not be allowed in regular courts.

Fees and costs are covered even if petition ers lose. When they win, they pay no contingency fee to attorneys representing them; the whole award goes to the petitioner.

But there are some disadvantages to petitioners. Discovery is limited, and the statute of limitations is 3 years.

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- 2-page handout
- Describes the historical basis and public policy rationale for establishment of VICP
- Explains program's benefits for both society and individual vaccine recipients
- Based in part on legal analysis from Dorit Reiss, JD, PhD and the book Vaccine Court: The Law and Politics of Injury by Anna Kirkland



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Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Update

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Office of the Chief Technology Officer (CTO) Update

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National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) Update

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Outline





Introduction to NACCHO



The Important Role of Local Health Departments



Activities



COVID-19 response

Mission



NACCHO is comprised of nearly 3,000 local health departments across the United States. Our mission is to serve as a leader, partner, catalyst, and voice with local health departments.

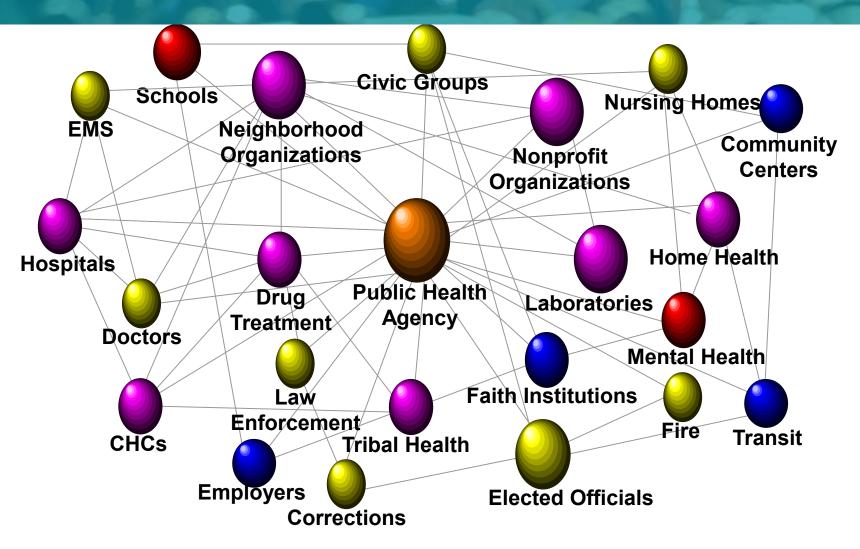
There's value in belonging



Learn more by viewing a short video available on our website.

Public Health System





2016 National Profile of Local Health Departments (LHDs)



Clinical programs and services provided directly in the past year

Program/service	% LHDs
Immunization	
Adult immunizations	90%
Childhood immunizations	88%
Screening for diseases/con	ditions
Tuberculosis	84%
Other STDs	65%
HIV/AIDS	62%
Blood lead	61%
High blood pressure	54%
Body Mass Index (BMI)	53%
Diabetes	34%
Cancer	32%
Cardiovascular disease	25%

Program/service	% LHDs
Treatment for communicable of	diseases
Tuberculosis	79%
Other STDs	63%
HIV/AIDS	35%
Maternal and child health serv	rices
Women, Infants, and Children (WIC)	66%
Home visits	60%
Family planning	53%
Early and periodic screening, diagnosis, and treatment	38%
Well child clinic	29%
Prenatal care	27%
Obstetrical care	8%

Program/service	% LHDs
Other clinical services	
Laboratory services	38%
School-based clinics	34%
Oral health	28%
Asthma prevention and/or management	22%
Home health care	20%
Correctional health	13%
Substance abuse	11%
Comprehensive primary care	11%
Behavioral/mental health	10%
Emergency medical services	4%

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Immunization Program Activities



- Enhance LHD contributions that inform policies, guidance documents and decisions related to immunizations and VPDs;
- 2. Increase LHD participation in national policy and programmatic discussions;
- Collect, organize and disseminate recommendations, evidence-based strategies, tools and resources through NACCHO communication channels;
- 4. Evaluate model practices to assess accessibility, utility, and impact of materials disseminated;
- Identify pockets of low vaccination within communities;
- 6. Promote a pro-vaccination campaign to contain vaccine misinformation;
- 7. Provide on-going support to local health departments;



Immunization Program Resources

[August 2019]



From the Field: Improving Immunization Coverage and Services at the Local Level



A Collection of Local Health Department Immunization Initiatives

NACCHO

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STATEMENT OF POLICY

Immunization Information Systems

Immunization has been one of the most successful and safest public health measures available to populations worldwide, with an unparalleled record of disease reduction and prevention 1.2. Successful public health immunization programs rely on having adequate data to manage the multiple components inherent to such a program. Immunization information systems (IIS) are confidential, population-based, computerized databases that record all immunization doses administered by participating providers to persons residing within a given geopolitical area

Immunization registries have become increasingly important to facilitate collaboration and communication between vaccinating providers in the new healthcare landscape resulting from the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act3. The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) supports the standardization and consistent use of IIS and requests that the federal government fund the expansion and linkage of this important tool.

NACCHO strongly urges the federal government to:

- Create a standard, interoperable system allowing for information exchange between state and local-level immunization registries and between all pertinent local users, including but not limited to local health departments, physicians and pharmacists, and the relevant
- · Encourage the negotiation of data exchange agreements to allow for interoperability between states or localities with immunization registries;
- · Ensure that the connections and capacities between local and state registries, and between local users and the relevant registries, meet all requirements of each stage defined as
- · Ensure electronic medical records/health records are updated and developed to upload immunization data directly into the state registry;
- Ensure local health departments have access to IIS and available data;
- · Ensure that states' education databases are updated and capable of uploading immunization data directly into the state registry;
- · Ensure local input when establishing uniform standards for the diverse array of existing
- . Ensure local input when developing laws and policies to facilitate exchange of data, not only across state and local lines but also across the country;

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Compendium

Policy Statements

Local Health Department Use of Immunization **NACCHO** Information Systems Background & Methods: In the fall of 2015, NACCHO, with funding and support from the CDC, conducted an assessment to identify and explore LHD NACCHO: National Association of use of IISs (also known as immunization registries). The assessment was sent County and City Health Officials to 200 LHDs (40% response rate) and aimed to collect information to support CDC: Centers for Disease Control and promote the role of IISs within LHD immunization programs across the United States. LHDs without access to an IIS were excluded from the results. LHDs: Local Health Departments Conclusion: LHDs want access to accurate, complete, and timely data to help IIS: Immunization Information inform their programmatic and clinical work. Bi-directional exchange of information is important to LHDs, including improving IIS capabilities to receive electronic health record data. Reporting functionalities (such as coverage assessment, doses administered, and reminder/recall) and usability For more information, email are important features LHDs indicate need improvements within IISs infectiousdiseases@naccho.org LHDs are more likely to use IISs for looking up patient histories or forecasts than assessing coverage rates and conducting patient reminder/recall Look-up patient history Look-up patient forecast Conduct LHD clinic-based reminder/recall Assess LHD clinic immunization coverage Assess geographic immunization coverage Conduct geographic-based reminder/recall Use IIS for this Don't use Don't know of LHDs still directly enter 78% were mandated by policy or legislation to report data to an IIS Mandated: For LHDs only For LHDs and private providers Not mandated

Research Briefs

NACCHO COVID-19 Response Efforts

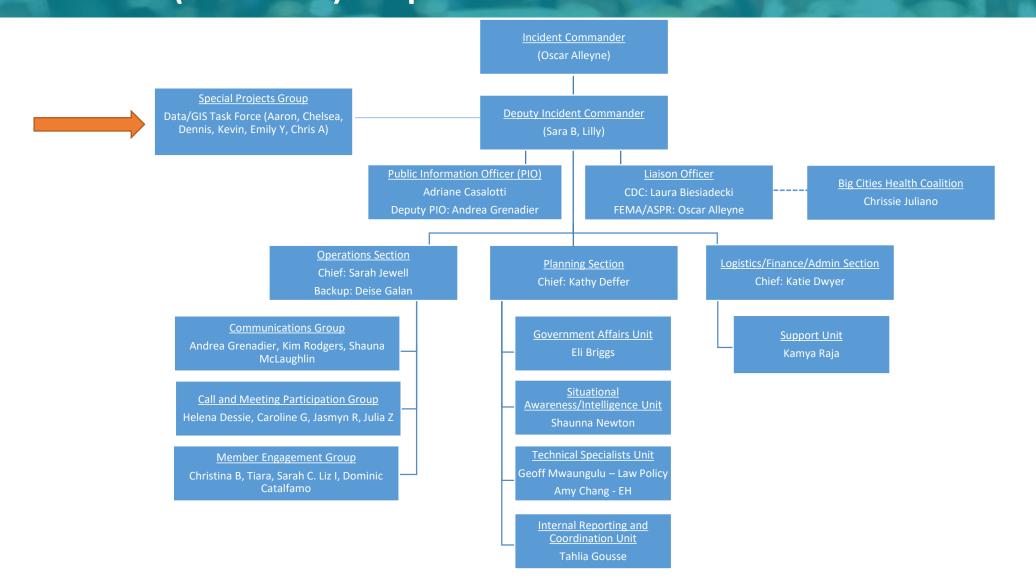


NACCHO Response Level 3:

- Maintain situational awareness, at both the national/federal and local level
- Facilitate the sharing of information from the federal to the local level
- Understand and be responsive to member needs and requests
- Convey the critical role of local health departments during emerging infectious disease outbreaks
- Identify resources to support NACCHO's response activities

Modified Incident Command System Organizational Structure for Supporting NACCHO's 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) Response



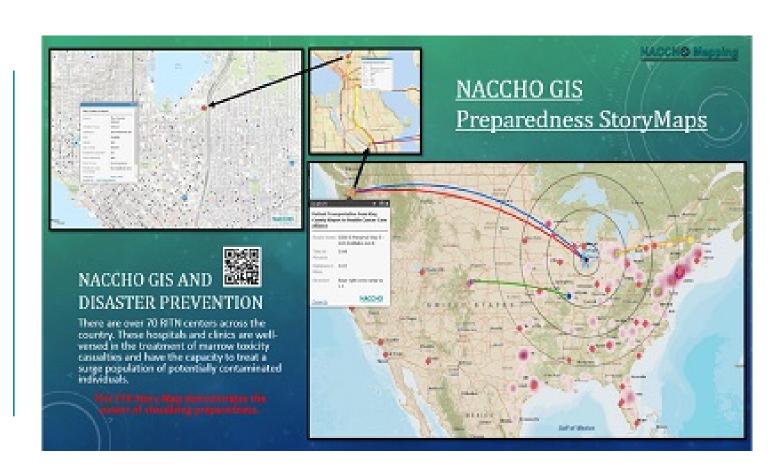


NACCHO COVID-19 Response Efforts



DATA/GIS Special Task Force:

- Hospital capacity and patient impact
- County level data on ICU bed reporting
- GW Public Health platform
- Contact tracing solution
- GIS Hub



Questions?



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Immunization Program's Webpage:

https://www.naccho.org/programs/community-health/infectious-disease/immunization

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Update

Kim Martin





ASTHO Immunization Activities

Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) Kim Martin, Director, Immunization

April 20,2020



VISION

State and territorial health agencies advancing health equity and optimal health for all.

MISSION

To support, equip, and advocate for state and territorial health officials in their work of advancing the public's health and well-being.



Infectious Disease Policy Committee (IDPC)

- The infectious disease policy committee provides strategic direction to staff for immunization projects.
 - For example, the IDPC identified IIS interstate data sharing as a top priority for 2013/2014 and again in 2014/2015.
 - As a result, we worked closely with AIRA to develop an Interstate Data Sharing MOU and address interstate data sharing barriers though a joint community of practice.



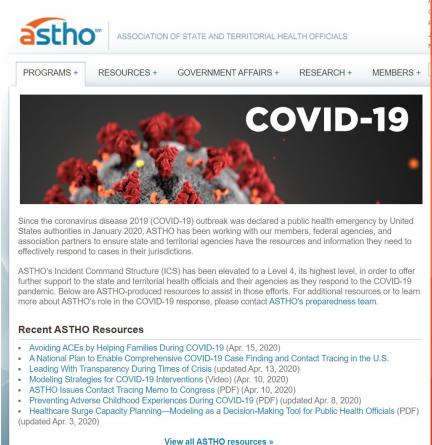


COVID-19 Response at ASTHO

- Working with our members, the CDC, and other federal partners to ensure state agencies have the resources and information they need.
- The ASTHO Incident Command Structure has been elevated to its highest level in order to further assist state and territorial health agencies.

Providing Technical Assistance to Members

- PPE
- Testing
- Disparities
- Modeling Strategies
- Mitigation Strategies
- Healthcare Capacity





ASTHO COVID-19 Materials

- 12 Issue Briefs
- 8 Blogs
- 5 Intervention Actions
- 2 Podcasts
- 5 Legislative Alerts
- 6 Correspondence to Congress and Administration
- 7 Press Releases
- Risk Communication Guide
- Video



COVID-19: SIMPLE ANSWERS TO TOP QUESTIONS

RISK COMMUNICATION FIELD GUIDE QUESTIONS AND KEY MESSAGES

A National Plan to Enable Comprehensive COVID-19 Case Finding and Contact Tracing in the US



Issue Brief

Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Shortages: Considerations for Donation Management and Homemade Equipment

March 25, 2020 (Updated as of 9 p.m. ET)

OVERVIEW

On March 17, CDC issued <u>guidance</u> for optimizing the supply of personal protective equipment (PPE) in response to shortages connected to the COVID-19 pandemic. CDC's guidance indicates homemade masks should only be used as a last resort and in combination with a face shield. To address these shortages, state and territorial health agencies have implemented donation management procedures and provided guidance for the use of homemade masks. Below are policy examples and resources state and territorial health leaders can consult as they craft strategies in their own jurisdictions.

STATE AND TERRITORIAL POLICY ACTIONS

Health agencies are actively seeking PPE donations and issuing guidance regarding homemade masks:

- Connecticut <u>activated</u> a framework for PPE donations through the state's 2-1-1 system.
- The Tennessee Department of Military established a donation management system.
- Texas <u>unveiled</u> an online portal allowing people to provide leads on PPE and make donations.
- Rhode Island and Utah have developed forms for cataloguing prospective PPE donations.
- New York state is requesting that all PPE providers sell non-essential PPE products to the state.
- Illinois is accepting unopened PPE donations for first responders.
- Washington state healthcare workers launched a PPE donation portal.
- Several hospitals are requesting donations of unused surgical and N95 masks.
- Arizona, Kansas, Michigan, and Vermont have issued statements acknowledging their commitment to CDC's updated guidance regarding homemade PPE.

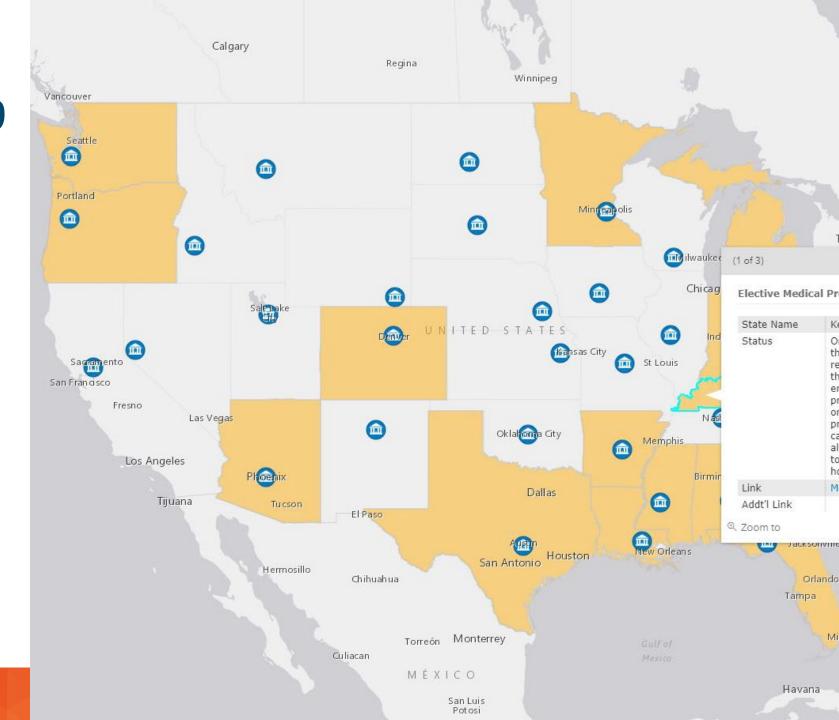
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State and territorial health agencies may adopt the following strategies to mitigate PPE shortages:

- Implement <u>measures</u> preserving PPE and ask healthcare facilities to employ PPE prioritization plans, such as those in <u>Massachusetts</u> or <u>Washington state</u>.
- <u>Instruct</u> facilities to postpone elective surgery or encourage them to use telehealth practices.

ASTHO's COVID-19 Interactive Map

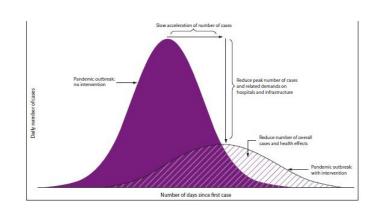
- State Emergency Declarations.
- State/Territory COVID-19
 Websites and Hotlines.
- Elective Medical Procedure Guidance.
- Testing Prioritization Guidance.





State-Specific Interventions to Help Reduce COVID-19

- Legal authorities, which can be wide-ranging and apply to schools, health care facilities, and travel.
- Emergency declarations.
- Frontline public health actions including case identification, isolation, and contact tracing.
- Leadership actions.





Policy Leadership: **State Health Officers Testify at** Congressional COVID-19 Hearings



Thomas Dobbs, State Health Officer, Mississippi

Ngoze Ezike, State Health Officer, Illinois

These hearings provided a forum for Congress to learn more about the current efforts to prepare and respond to novel coronavirus (COVID-19). Members encouraged Congress to continue and increase its financial support of state-lead preparedness and response.



Moving Towards Recovery and Vaccination Strategies

- ASTHO is starting to think about recovery (e.g., testing, case investigations, economic impact)
- ASTHO is also starting to think about vaccination implementation, including:
 - Communication
 - Coordination with Partners
 - Distribution
 - IIS

Memorandum of
Understanding Toolkit for
Public Health Agencies
and Pharmacies

Guidance and Templates for State and Territorial Health Agencies to Establish a Memorandum of Understanding with Pharmacies to Support a Coordinated Response to Influenza Pandemics and Other Vaccine-Related Emergencies Memorandum of Understanding between

[INSERT GOVERNMENT AGENCY NAME]("STATE")
and

[INSERT PHARMACY NAME]("PHARMACY")

for the

Coordination of A Pandemic Influenza Vaccination Campaign in Planning for and Responding to An Influenza Pandemic

This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") sets forth the terms of an understanding between [INSERT STATE GOVERNMENT TAME] ("STATE") and [INSERT PHARMACY NAME] ("Pharmacy") for the purposes of coordinating influenza vaccine distribution during a pandemic.

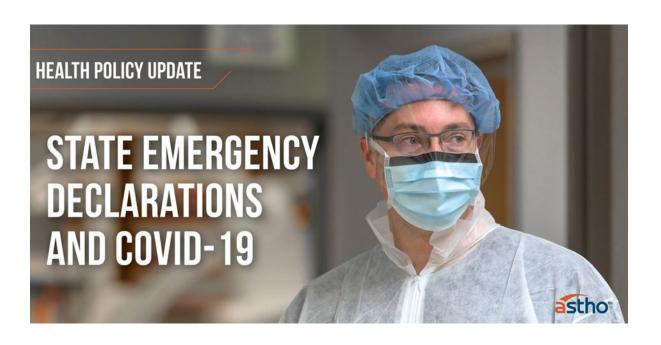
I. Introduction & Purpose

Coordination between public sector public health programs and private sector pharmacies in pandemic influenza planning and response is essential to expanding public access to influenza pandemic vaccination during the next influenza pandemic. Improved coordination ultimately saves lives by leveraging the strengths of all partners, including existing vaccine management, distribution, and administration infrastructures, resulting in earlier and more broadly available pandemic vaccination. Improved coordination prior to and during a pandemic also helps ensure consistent management and equity among pandemic vaccinators and improves relationships, not only for other public health emergencies, but also for routine public health delivery.

More general all-hazard public health emergency response agreements between public sector public health programs and pharmacies may be in place, but preparing for a pandemic influenza vaccination campaign may be different from other public health emergency responses. For example, influenza pandemics are not localized public health emergencies, but are rather, by definition, wide scale, multi-national outbreaks requiring a large scale response. Influenza pandemics affect all groups and ages; thus, the public health response must be broad and often must be sustained for many months to be effective. Since influenza epidemics occur annually during the winter months in the U.S., there are existing systems used for routine delivery of seasonal influenza vaccines, which can be leveraged during an influenza pandemic response. Furthermore, unlike other countermeasures, during an influenza pandemic, it is possible that multiple vaccine doses may be recommended, multiple vaccine products may be available, and adjuvant may need to be matched and mixed with vaccine antigen products at the point of administration to patients. These differences point to the need for more specific agreements regarding the losistics of nadmenic influenzy awacine caming in planning and



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- preparedness@astho.org





American Immunization Registry Association (AIRA) Update

Rebecca Coyle



Updates



- Delayed speaker notification emails
- Conducting an analysis to determine go/no-go threshold
- Request for travel cancelations from members



SnapShots

- Most recent edition of SnapShots was published in March
- Next edition: Pandemic edition



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Dear Colleagues,

Spring has sprung! I hope you are all feeling the sense of reinvigoration that I usually do around this time of year. As the interoperability lead in Minnesota I spend a lot of my workday thinking about how to get data moved around to where it needs to be and, more importantly, how to put that data to use for something meaningful once it gets there. This edition of SnapShots does a really fantastic job of showing that so many of you seem to feel the same way. While it was not the only thing covered, I found it striking that all of these articles touch on data use in some way!

Below, you'll read about CDS measurement and how jurisdictions are putting that measurement data to use to improve their ability to support their jurisdiction's use of IIS data to ensure the health of its residents. You'll read about the Education Survey results and how we have identified some of our strengths as data related, but so too were some of our top challenges. So it's no surprise that some of our top priorities also revolved around data and the need for better guidance on data (use, sharing, quality...). And, probably my favorite part about SnopShots, you'll also read about what some of our colleagues are doing to use their data in interesting ways. If you missed the AIRA 2019 National Meeting, or just were not able to make it to this presentation, I hope you'll be as interested as I was in the article about how Oregon is putting its data to use in new ways as well as the value they got out of doing that...

Thanks so much to the people who sent in these articles! I know they got me thinking about data use from new perspectives. Be sure to send in your article ideas for the next edition of SnapShots. I can't wait to read all of the other amazing things you all are working on!

Regards,
Aaron Bieringer
AIRA Board President
MIIC Interoperability Lead and Implementation Coordinator
Minnesota Department of Health



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AART User Group

- Mini-series to promote and support the use of AART as a means for IIS to more quickly and efficiently align with national standards and priorities.
- Anyone interested in learning more is welcome to join at any point in the series
- Meeting information and link to register are listed on the events calendar on the AIRA website



AIRA Program Evaluation Project

- Purpose: assess how best to strategically evolve AIRA programming by reviewing committees, workgroups and projects of the organization
 - Priority Area II: Address the gap between member needs and utilization of AIRA resources and services
 - Priority Area III: Provide the necessary organizational infrastructure to support the work of AIRA



Assessing Immunization Levels

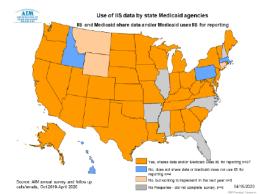
- Collaboration with AIM
- Fact Sheet to demonstrate feasibility of using IIS data in Medicaid programs
- CMS will vote on adding prenatal immunization measures to Medicaid Core Set - April 28

Feasibility of Using Immunization Information Systems to Assess Immunization Levels in Medicaid Programs





- State Immunization Information Systems (IIS) are widely used as a trusted source of immunization data for state Medicaid programs. Utilizing IIS data can improve the completeness and accuracy of immunization records in the Medicaid program.
- According to the 2019 AIM Annual Survey and follow-up callsii, at least 37 states (74%) share data between IIS and their state Medicaid agency, and/or the state Medicaid agency uses IIS data for Medicaid reporting (see below map). Three additional states are in the process of implementing data sharing between the IIS and state Medicaid program



- IIS data already helps state Medicaid agencies to calculate the pediatric immunization measures in the Medicaid Core Set, which are reported to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services. ii Several states indicated that they could readily adapt these existing routine mechanisms to assess prenatal immunization
- Colorado used IIS data and Medicaid claims to calculate the new prenatal immunization measure and California is in the process of doing so. Wisconsin and Michigan have used Medicaid claims along with IIS data to calculate prenatal immunization levels by Medicaid status.

s://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6338a4.htm?s_cid=mm6338a4_w



[#]AIM Annual Survey (unpublished) was administered from October 2019 to February 2020 to all state immunization program managers. Follow-up calls were made to some of the non-responders, as well as to a nonrepresentative sample of immunization programs known to share IIS data with

AIRA's Response to COVID-19

Resources in the AIRA Repository

- Webinar: Using IIS to Support an Outbreak Response
- MIROW Guide: Business Continuity Planning for Immunization Information System Programs
- Email info@immregistries.org with how AIRA can best support you during this time



What's happening now?

- CDC is leading the efforts once a path has been determined then updated planning for this response can take place
 - CDC is working through possible scenario's, asking questions about current capabilities, etc.
- It's really important to focus on the existing capabilities of your systems (implementing standards, onboarding providers, cleaning up data, etc.) – this will make it easier to connect with new providers and leverage existing data

Upcoming Discovery Session

- Monday, April 27 at 4pm ET: Lessons learned from H1N1
- Meeting information and link to register are listed on the events calendar on the AIRA website



AIRA Board and Elections

Officers

- President-Elect
- President
- Treasurer
- Secretary
- Governance Committee Chair
 - A chair for the Governance Committee
 - Continuity between the AIRA Board and the Governance Committee



Voting Rights to All Directors

- The AIRA Board approved that all board members have voting rights on the board
- Nonprofit Members, Individual Members and Supporting Members (i.e. Non-IIS members) should comprise no more than 20% of the full board
- All board offices except board President can be held by Nonprofit, Individual, and Supporting Members (i.e. Non-IIS members)



Elections

- Officers
 - President-Elect
 - Treasurer
 - Governance Committee Chair
- Directors
 - Up to 4 Directors

Article IV, Section 1 of the AIRA Bylaws: The Board shall consist of such number of Directors as the Board shall determine from time to time, provided that such number shall not be less than five or more than fifteen.



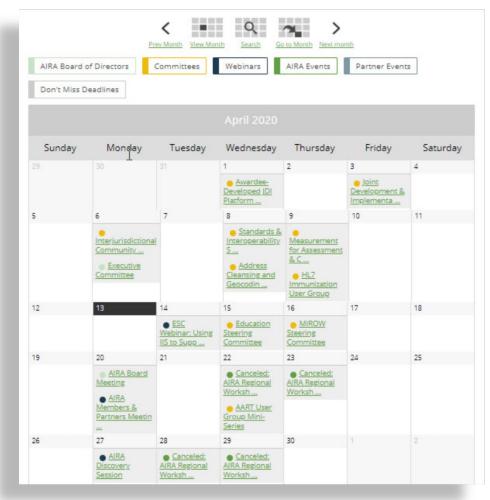
Elections Timeline

- June: AIRA Board elects Officers
- June 8 29: Nominations open
- **July 2**: Applications deadline
- July 23 August 12: Elections
- August 13: Announce election results
- October 1: Board year begins

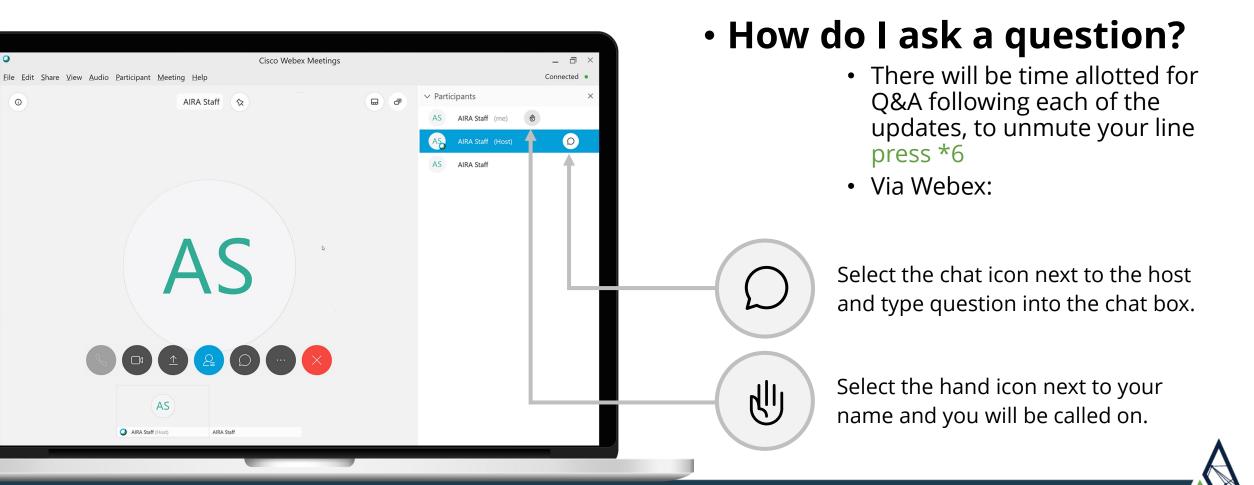


Upcoming Partner Meetings

- Quarterly schedule
- Register for remaining 2020 meetings
 - July 20
 - October 19
- Meeting information and links to register are listed on the events calendar on the AIRA website



Additional Questions?



Thank you for joining us!

Next Meeting: July 20, 2020 at 2 pm ET