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INFORMATION REQUEST

Topic: IIS and Undocumented Immigrants

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Information Requested:

The next phase of vaccination in Minnesota includes a job sector (food processing plants) that contains a large number of undocumented people. There isn't data about whether or not these individuals are using their real name when seeking employment, but it is safe to assume that a good amount of them are not using their real name, but rather some other form of ID/Social Security number. It sounds like some employers may require proof of vaccination, which will have to show the name known to their employer. This may lead to fragmented records, which could cause confusion in the future if a complete immunization record is required.

Do any other programs have best practices for scenarios in which an individual may use different names for employment and health care? How do you handle this in your IIS?

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Results:

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I inquired on my pediatric informatics listservs. Some people weighed in with ideas, but nobody has a formal policy that they shared.

Some of the ideas included creating a metric of using things like:

1. Last name is the name of the employer, first name is A sequential assignment like A, then B, then C and when you get to too many to count adding AA, BB, CC
2. If there were employee IDs, using those as an identifier for an employee mass clinic