

Monthly Immunization Update

April 2023

Dear Providers and Partners,

This newsletter is meant to keep you updated on issues related to vaccines quickly and easily and maintain our connection with all of you. We welcome your questions and comments. Please feel free to share this newsletter with your colleagues. Thank you!

Digital Vaccine Records

What is a Digital vaccine record (DVR)? Your DVR is an electronic vaccination record from the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) and is an official record of the state of California. The digital vaccine record includes your name, date of birth, vaccination dates, and the vaccines you received.

There are two types of records you can access from the Digital Vaccine Record portal:

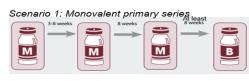
- COVID-19 QR code that (when scanned by a SMART Health Card reader) will display
 the same information as your paper CDC vaccine card: your name, date of birth, vaccination dates, and vaccines.
- Record of all your vaccinations that were reported by pharmacies and healthcare providers to CAIR. Note that your historical vaccinations may not have been reported to CAIR.

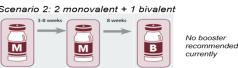
For more Digital Vaccine Record information, visit the <u>Digital Vaccine Record Portal</u> or call 1-833-422-4255.

Pfizer Infant/Toddler Bivalent Booster Update

The FDA authorized and the CDC recommends that children ages 6 months—4 years who previously completed a third dose Monovalent Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine primary series can receive one Bivalent Pfizer COVID-19 Booster dose at least 2 months after completion of the monovalent primary series. Children ages 6months—4 years

who completed their primary series with two Monovalent Pfizer COVID-19 vaccines and one Bivalent Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine are not eligible for a booster dose of a bivalent vaccine at this time. If you have any questions you can always reach out to our IZ Program nurses.





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During the first full week of April each year, American Public Health Association (APHA) brings communities across the United States to observe National Public Health Week as a time to recognize contributions of public health and highlight issues that are important to improving our nations health. This year Nation Public Health Week is from **April 3rd** to **April 9th**. For over 25 years, APHA has served as the organizer of National Public Health Week. Every year, the Association develops a national campaign to educate the public, policymakers and practitioners about issues related to each years theme. This years themes include community, violence prevention, reproductive and sexual health, mental health, rural health, accessibility, and food and nutrition. American Public Health Association creates new National Public Health Week materials each year that can be used during and after National Public Health Week to raise awareness about public health and prevention. To learn more about National Public Health Week click visit the <u>APHA website</u>.



National Infant Immunization Week

National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is a yearly observance highlighting the importance of protecting children two years and younger from vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs). CDC and the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) recommend that children stay on track with their well-child appointments and routine vaccinations. On-time vaccination is critical to provide protection against potentially life-threatening diseases. NIIW is **April 24th** to **April 30th**. For more information on NIIW visit the CDCs website.

Announcements:

CDC will be hosting a quickinar series for providers providing successful strategies for COVID-19 vaccine management. They all take place from 12 pm - 12:30 pm.

Series Dates and Times:

- Monday, April 10, 2023
- Monday, April 24, 2023
- Monday, May 8, 2023

- Monday, May 22, 2023
- Monday, June 5, 2023

To register for the quickinar series click here.

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