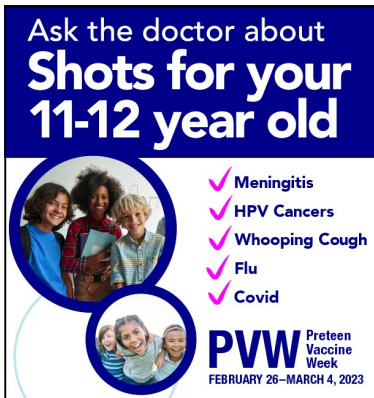


Monthly Immunization Update

February 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!



Preteen Vaccine Week

Mark your calendars for [Preteen Vaccine Week](#) which takes place this year **February 26th-March 4th**! What is Preteen Vaccine Week? Preteen Vaccine Week is a week designated for children ranging from 9-14 years of age. This week consists of events and activities campaigning to provide sufficient vaccine resources for all eligible children at no cost. Vaccines that are recommended include, but not limited to, COVID-19, Tdap ,

MCV and HPV. For those who have not yet received their flu vaccine, it's NOT too late either. The overall goal is to increase vaccine rates and decrease vaccine hesitancy due to the lack of available resources or knowledge. It's highly encouraged to promote this event via social media, presentations, and sharing of resources. Our goal is to have a great impact on our preteens. Here is a [toolkit](#) for the advertisement of Preteen vaccine week!

Transcribing Past Immunizations

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Why should providers transcribe all past and current immunizations into the [California Immunization Registry \(CAIR\)](#)? The overall benefit of transcribing all immunizations into CAIR is having a single record containing all immunizations. This not only helps your health care team but most importantly the patient. Important benefits for healthcare teams include aiding in record keeping, preventing disease outbreaks within your

community, aids in having a reliable vaccine schedule for patients and most importantly it decreases the chances of committing vaccine errors, for example giving too many or too few of a vaccine. As for the patient they would be able to obtain their full immunization record when needed all from one source. More information on the benefits of imputing immunizations into CAIR can be found on their [website](#).

Black History Month: February 1- March 1

During the month of February, CDPH and Ventura County Public Health celebrate Black History Month to honor the contributions and accomplishments of African Americans.

Vaccination Rates among Black Californians

[COVID-19](#) and [Influenza \(flu\)](#) vaccination remains low among African Americans, leaving many at risk for severe disease. This is an excellent opportunity to encourage vaccination and health.

Share Shemar and Brittani's Story with Patients

Promote Black health and wellness this month by sharing [Shemar and Brittani's story](#) from the [Shot by Shot series](#).

What can you do?

CDPH has shared social media post you can use during Black History Month. Please follow this link to [CDPH's toolkit](#). There are beautiful assets you can share on social media or in your practice.



Reminders:

** AB 1797: Requirement to Submit Immunization Data to the California Immunization Registry*

If you have any questions or concerns regarding how to register for the California Immunization Registry, or to see if your site is registered please email CAIRHelpdesk@cdph.ca.gov or call 800-578-7889. If you would like to get in touch with your Local CAIR Representative (LCR), please reach out to the Immunization Program, who will direct you to our LCR.

If you need to make sure that your electronic health record is communicating to CAIR, please reach out to your EHR vendor and send an email to CAIRDataExchange@cdph.ca.gov.

As always, don't hesitate to reach out to us with any questions.

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