

Monthly Immunization Update

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Greetings Ventura County Schools 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 you're questions and comments. Please feel free to share this newsletter with your collogues. Thank You!



School and Child Care Roster Lookup

School and Childcare Roster Lookup (SCRL) is the new CA Immunization Registry (CAIR) for schools and child care. As stated in the School and Childcare Roster Lookup Resources, "Starting March 1, 2023 SCRL will replace CAIR2 as the way schools access student immunization records." What this means is that schools and child care facilities will no longer have access to CAIR2 and will have to switch to using SQRL. SQRL looks at immunization data in CAIR2 and determines if students

are up to date with their immunizations. SQRL will only be available for schools and child care facilities, local health departments will not have access to SQRL. The reason for the switch is to best protect each child's immunization privacy, since SQRL will only show immunizations that are required for school entry, highlighting those vaccines that a child may be missing or past due and those that they already have. To learn more about SQRL please visit the <u>CAIR Hub</u> webpage.

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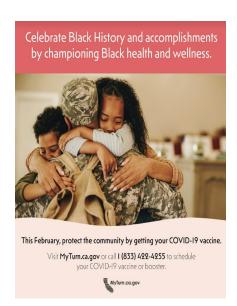
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Preteen Vaccine Week

Mark your calendars for Preteen Vaccine Week! 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, its 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 Pre-teen vaccine week!





Black History Month

For the month of February, we celebrate and honor Black History Month to pay tribute to the contributions and accomplishments of African Americans. The CA Department of Public Health (CDPH) is campaigning for the uptake of COVID-19 and flu vaccine due to the fact that vaccination for these two remain low among African Americans, leaving many at risk for severe disease. To learn more about why vaccination rates are low and tips for communicating with the Black community about COVID-19 vaccines watch the Crucial Conversation with Donna White Carey, M.D., F.A.A.P. of Alameda Alliance for Health. Promote Black health and wellness this month by sharing Shemar and Brittani's story from the Shot By Shot series. For social media posts you can use during Black History Month, please follow this link to CDPH's toolkit.

Tdap Events

Ventura County Public Health-Immunization Program is in the process of scheduling free Tdap events with school districts in Ventura County. All 7th grade students are required to have the Tdap vaccine for entry to 7th grade. These Tdap events are free to all students of Ventura County. If you are interested in hosting one of these Tdap events for your school district please contact us through our program email. Thank you!



Announcements:

- A quick reminder that the school immunization reporting deadline has been extended until February 28, 2023. Until then you can submit and edit your reports. Please see the reporting instructions for more information.
- CDPH is also thrilled to announce the launch of a free online training for schools to support implementation of school immunization requirements!

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