

Monthly Immunization Update

December 2023

Dear Schools and partners,

The purpose of this newsletter is to deliver quick and meaningful updates to support our schools and partners in a variety of vaccine settings, and maintain our connection with all of you. We welcome your questions and comments. Please feel free to share this newsletter with all of your collogues. Thank you!

National Influenza Vaccination Week

December 4 - 8, 2023



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Flu vaccines are the best protection against serious flu disease that can cause hospitalization and even death. Together, we can use NIVW as a nationwide call to action. Help protect our communities by encouraging flu vaccinations through sharing the following social media posts on your platforms.

Down below you will be directed to a variety of imagery, sample messages/posts, social media sources, templates and so much more! In best interest to help you reach your audience emphasizing the importance of Influenza vaccination!

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Vax Assist

Vax Assist is a website dedicated to helping the public find establishments that are providing vaccines they may need. Share this tool with your students, parent's, faculty, etc.

This new tool is extremely helpful for the public as an entirety especially for those individuals who are not aware of the variety of resource points throughout their communities or close reach.

Visit and share this link VaxAssist | Covid-19 and Flu Vaccine Information

Community Flu Clinic Calendar

Flu vaccination can keep you from getting sick with the flu and is a simple way to protect yourself and your community. The Immunization Program partners with many community providers in the county to assure that flu vaccine is available to all. We do this by holding free flu events in collaboration with other agencies and Public Health programs. We distribute state funded flu vaccine to medical providers in our county as well as community based organizations.

To access a list of community flu clinics across the County, please visit the Ventura County Public Health website and look for the <u>2023-2024 Flu Vaccine Community Clinic Schedule</u>. It is not too late to get protection from flu.

School Resource Guide

We have created an easy access Resource Guide related to all thing immunizations and schools! It is meant to be a quick guide on immunization requirements, conditional/unconditional admissions, annual reporting and California law as it pertains to schools and immunizations. Please feel free to scan the QR Code and print as many as you want! We will also be passing them out when we do our site visits to each school. Here you will find the link to the: PH brochure (vchca.org)



Frequently Asked Question

"We have a child who is not current on their immunizations. They have an Individualized Educational Plan (IEP) and receive special services. Do we have to exclude them?"

• According to the California Health and Safety Code, section 120335, a student who qualifies for an IEP can not be excluded to accessing any special education and related services required by their IEP.

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