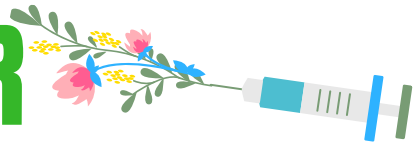


HAPPY SUMMER



From Alameda County Public Health Department's Immunization Program

PEDIATRIC PROVIDERS ARE PROTECTING OUR CHILDREN

ALL HANDS ON DECK TO REIGN IN KIDS AND KEEP THEM UP-TO-DATE ON IMMUNIZATIONS...

the number of vaccine doses entered into the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) for Alameda County dropped 41% in April 2020 compared to April 2019. COVID prevented many children from receiving routine immunizations. With lower vaccination rates, everyone in the community is more vulnerable to vaccine-preventable diseases and outbreaks. Please recall your patients and reassure them that it is safe for them to visit you in your clinical practice. The California Immunization Coalition has developed sample communications and an entire toolkit to help physicians inform and educate patients that it is safe to resume routine immunizations. Please visit <https://www.immunizeca.org/dontwaitvaccinate/> for free templates.

Currently our public health department is working hard to control COVID-19 transmission in the community and we are not able to conduct immunization clinics, including Back-to-School clinics. Thus, we are relying more on our community clinics and partners such as yourself to provide much needed immunizations to Alameda County residents and families. Thank You!!

October 28, 2020 ACIP Meeting

Register at:

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/index.html>

As your local immunization resource, we are dedicated to improving our community's knowledge of and access to vaccinations by providing information and supporting providers like you. Visit us at acphd.org/iz for free immunization materials.

Please see our list of limited free or low cost immunization clinics within Alameda County at www.acphd.org/clinics

CDC also recently released updated [VISs](#) for DTap, Td, Tdap, multi-vaccine, and yellow fever.

At this time, immunization requirements for admission to school or child care for the 2020-2021 school year remain in place – this might change, however. Please go to www.shotsforschool.org for the latest information. We want to highlight that adolescents entering 7th grade who do not have a history of DTaP vaccines need 1 dose of Tdap followed by 2 doses of Td vaccine.

CA Dept of Public Health is on track to, by January 1, 2021, collect all medical exemptions electronically. Under SB 276 and SB 714, medical exemptions will be reviewed when:

- A school's immunization rate falls below 95% or
- A physician writes more than 5 medical exemptions per year beginning January 1, 2020 or
- A school fails to provide reports of vaccination rates to CDPH.

Thank you for doing your part to increase Community Immunity!

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