VFC Nurse on Call - Nurse on call is Patti Kracht at pkracht@kdheks.gov
The nurse on call for next week is Stephanie Lambert at slambert@kdheks.gov
The nurse on call can be reached at 785-296-5592.

Chief Chat –
August is National Immunization Awareness Month and in this issue of What’s Happening Wednesday, you will find information about tools provided through the National Public Health Information Coalition to assist you in promoting awareness. Each week of August focuses on a different immunization topic starting with adults then moving on to pregnant women, babies, young children, and concluding with preteens and teens. We encourage you to explore the toolkits provided here to find sample press releases, social media tools, web banners and key messaging samples that are all designed for easy adaptation to your specific clinic. We also have this link on the front page of our website by simply clicking the banner for National Immunization Awareness Month.

As everyone is preparing for the annual back to school rush for vaccines, we want to remind you of the importance of planning well and assuring that you have ordered enough vaccine to provide all the requested immunizations that will be coming through your doors in August and early September. We encourage you to start placing your August orders on August 1st rather than waiting until later in the week so that your vaccines will arrive prior to your busiest times. We are continuing to manage shortages of Pentacel, so we will continue to hold orders for Pentacel until August 7th. We will process all other vaccines on your order immediately upon receipt of the order and verification that your temperature reports and reconciliations have been completed.

By now all VFC providers who are using the KIP supplied data loggers from Sensitech should have received new monitors for this year. We know there were challenges with the original replacements sent in June for many providers and we apologize again for that inconvenience. As previously communicated in a special alert, we worked with Sensitech to resolve this problem as soon as we became aware, and ensured that new monitors were reshipped to all providers. In an effort to quickly assess the current situation, we are asking that all providers who use the KIP data loggers from Sensitech to complete a very brief survey. The survey is simply asking for your PIN, name and contact information (in the event we have questions), and asking if you received and activated a refrigerator and/or freezer monitor that is working properly. The survey should take less than three minutes for most to complete. We ask that you click here for the KIP Data Logger survey and complete it by August 2nd. We will have staff call any providers who have not completed the survey online after August 2nd so that we have a complete understanding. We appreciate you taking a moment to do this which will save time for the KIP (and for you) by not having to make phone calls. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Phil at pgriffin@kdheks.gov.

We have not received any additional information yet about when influenza will begin to be available, but based on communications we have had with many of the manufacturers, we expect to hear about shipment availability within the next couple of weeks.

We have been notified that the NIS Teen data which many are looking forward to seeing is scheduled to be released the last week of August, which will coincide with the National Immunization Awareness Month Pre-Teen and Teen focus week.

Finally, we would like to alert you to the next Immunize Kansas Coalition (IKC) meeting which will be held in Topeka on August 19th. IKC is open to receiving new member organizations and individuals who are interested in becoming involved in the organization’s mission. For more information please visit the IKC website. To be added to the mailing list, you may email Connie Satzler at csatzler@kansas.net.

Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention
**Webinar- “Adolescent Immunizations” with Dr. William Atkinson**

**“Adolescent Immunization: Where We Are Now and How We Can Do Better”**

Since the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) made its first routine adolescent immunization recommendation for tetanus/acellular pertussis/diphtheria (Tdap) vaccine in 2005, several other important vaccines have been added to the ACIP’s recommended immunization schedule for adolescents. Now Tdap, meningococcal ACWY, meningococcal B (a “category B” recommendation, meaning it is recommended, but with individual clinical decision making), human papillomavirus (HPV), and influenza vaccines are all recommended for this age group. Although data from the 2014 National Immunization Survey–Teen (NIS-Teen) indicate vaccine coverage for adolescents is relatively high for the single recommended dose of Tdap, vaccines that require more than one dose to complete the series remain far below desired coverage levels.

To address this problem, William L. Atkinson, MD, MPH, IAC's associate director for immunization education, will present a one-hour webinar on adolescent immunization on July 28 at 11:00 a.m. (Central). During his presentation, Dr. Atkinson will review the recommendations for each adolescent vaccine, provide strategies to improve coverage rates in this population, and list available resources to assist immunization providers in their efforts to improve coverage rates.

Register online at the following address: [https://cc.readytalk.com/registration/#/?meeting=ya6m9a54fbbl&campaign=crm9wqi6ofrq](https://cc.readytalk.com/registration/#/?meeting=ya6m9a54fbbl&campaign=crm9wqi6ofrq)

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**DID YOU KNOW**

All VFC Providers may participate in the “Immunize and Win a Prize” VFC outreach project. Wouldn’t it be exciting to have the opportunity to contact a parent next January to tell them that they have won $300 to go towards paying the utility bill of their choice? We have heard some very heartwarming stories from parents who have been the fortunate recipient of this money when all they were doing was vaccinating their child age appropriately by 2 years of age.

Contact Mike Parsons to learn more about Immunize and Win a Prize Project.

Phone 785-296-3975 or [mparsons@kdheks.gov](mailto:mparsons@kdheks.gov)


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**Hep A, Hep B and Polio Vaccine Information Statements Updated**

The Hepatitis A, Hepatitis B and Polio vaccine information statements have recently been updated and are now available. Please make sure you are using the most current VIS for ALL your vaccines.

These are now final (not interim) VISs, with an edition date of 7/20/16. Ideally, providers should begin using them immediately; but they are not significantly different from the previous editions, and existing stocks may be used until depleted. Note: The Spanish versions will be posted as soon as translation is complete.

The online Order Center has been updated and VFC providers can order them free by clicking [here](#).

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VFC Question of the Week–
Q: The Health Department has been asked to administer vaccines at a Back To School outreach clinic. We will be very busy. Do we really need to have the students sit and wait after they have been vaccinated in case of syncope?

What is syncope?
Syncope, also called fainting, is a temporary loss of consciousness as a result of decreased blood flow to the brain. The most common form of fainting is called “vasovagal” fainting. This type of fainting can be triggered by an event associated with pain or anxiety. Some people may experience jerking movements after fainting which are not seizures. Published literature reveals that about 3% of men and 3.5% of women report at least one episode of fainting during their lifetime.

Who is more likely to experience fainting after immunization?
Reports from the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS-see questions below) show that fainting is more common among adolescents. From January 1, 2005–July 31, 2007, 62% of the fainting reports to VAERS were among adolescents, 11 to 18 years old. Although this is a relatively high percentage, we cannot use VAERS data (due to the limitation of VAERS) to determine how frequently fainting occurs after vaccination.

Do specific vaccines cause fainting?
Nearly all vaccines have been reported to be associated with the fainting. Post-vaccination fainting has been most frequently reported after three vaccines commonly given to adolescents (HPV, MCV4, and Tdap). However, we do not know whether the vaccines are responsible for post-vaccination fainting or if the association with these vaccines simply reflects the fact that adolescents are generally more likely to experience fainting.

Can fainting and related injury after immunization be prevented?
Falls that occur due to fainting after vaccination can be prevented by assuring that the vaccinated person is sitting in a chair or lying down and is observed for 15 minutes following vaccination.

August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM)-
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July/August Ready for school? Check those vaccine records. (school-aged children)
Click for 2016-2017 School Requirements.

Suggested themes for August 2016:
August 1-7 Vaccines are not just for kids (adults) Click for 2016 Adult Immunization Schedule
August 8-14 Protect yourself and pass protection on to your baby (pregnant women)
August 15-21 A healthy start begins with on-time vaccination (babies and young children)
August 22-28 Ensure a healthy future with vaccines (preteens and teens)

NIAM toolkit and other resources to support vaccination activities throughout August:
You can find the NIAM Toolkit by visiting the KIP homepage and clicking on the NIAM logo. More information can also be found here: https://www.nphic.org/niam

NEW easy to read Meningococcal B Schedule has been released by the California Department of Public Health
Please see page 6 of What’s Happening Wednesday for a copy of the schedule or click here to download and print!
KSWEBIZ Trainings

Aggregate Inventory Training—Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.
The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.  
[https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/659870511102500354](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/659870511102500354)

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Direct Entry Inventory Training— Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.
The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. 
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New User Training— Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.
The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. 
[https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442](https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442)

Register now for the date that works best for you!

School Module Training- Third Friday at 12 p.m.
The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. 
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Reports Training- Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.
The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. 
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NOTE: There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer mims@kdheks.gov or 785-296-0687
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**Vaccine Redistribution**

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter “Redistribution” to vaccine@kdheks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464

http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm

**REMINDErs:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:
1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.
For further details, see: wwww.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/ads/vacc-imp/ptc/ptc-faq.jsp
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Meningococcal Vaccine Timing

Routine

As needed to provide short-term protection

See recommendations at: wwww.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/ads/vacc-imp/ptc/ptc-faq.jsp

For high-risk populations or increased exposure to meningococcal disease. Meningococcal disease. They may be given at the same visit.

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