



WHY IMMUNIZE

A newsletter for TAPI's donors

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[WhyImmunize.org](https://www.whylimmunize.org)



TAPI's Community Education Initiative & Vaccine Finder

TAPI's Community Education Initiative program has been able to recruit over 100 medical professionals and translators to go out into the community to give educational presentations and answer questions regarding COVID-19. Some events are in-person while others have been presented virtually. Organizations have requested volunteers prior to vaccine events to help address hesitancy and requested volunteers that could speak specific languages and translate for members of their community.



TAPI, along with partners such as ESRI, STC, and ADHS, have created a tool to help volunteers when talking to community members. TAPI created a webpage with a vaccine finder that provides information about the COVID-19 vaccine statewide from providers, pharmacies, and pop-up events all in one location. It was created with the idea that community workers would use this to help schedule/find vaccines while in person with the community members talking about the vaccine, such as during the Speaker's Bureau volunteer events or going door-to-door in hard to reach communities. TAPI has provided training to community partners on the tool that can be accessed from computer, phone, or a tablet. TAPI also created a vaccine appointment/commitment card that can be provided to community members after helping them locate a vaccine. You can view the page [here](#).

"It was a great experience... Three were ready to take the vaccine within minutes!"



August is

#National Immunization AwarenessMonth

Join us to help educate
and inspire at
voicesforvaccines.org

NIAM CAMPAIGN

August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM). TAPI is teaming up with Voices for Vaccines to help provide awareness of vaccines in a month long social media campaign.

Be sure to view TAPI's social media pages (linked on page 5) to see and share the campaign!

DATA WORKING GROUP

TAPI has a data working group that meets bi-weekly to discuss COVID-19 vaccination rates in Arizona. The team is currently gathering survey data for the state through community health workers to identify needs and underserved Arizona communities.

TAPI is also working to create an interactive map that shows vaccination rates and demographics by zip code, highlighting the most underserved communities that need attention.



HPV WORKING GROUP

TAPI HPV Conversations Work Group's purpose is to share information, collaborate and to support research related to improving the HPV vaccination rates in Arizona through quarterly conversations.

The HPV Conversations Working Group helped support a competition between students creating Cancer Immunization videos. View the first place winner [here](#) and the second place winner [here](#). Feel free to share the videos!

VACCINE

T.I.P.S.

TAPI, in collaboration with the Arizona Department of Health Services Immunization Program, presents free trainings called Training on Immunization Practice Strategies (T.I.P.S.) that improve immunization practices in public and private providers' offices. Participants receive valuable information on immunization friendly office practices, vaccine handling, state requirements, how to give shots and the state immunization registry. TAPI started its summer training session on June 10th and will host the last summer session on August 5th.



TAPI started off its first virtual session with Why Vaccines are Important: Protecting Herd Immunity, followed by Vaccines Basics and Understanding the ACIP Schedule, Protecting the Cold Chain and Preparing for Patients, and Empowering Patients and Administering Vaccines. The final session will cover Best Practices for Immunization Delivery in Arizona. This summer 477 medical professionals have registered for the T.I.P.S. trainings! Summer sessions are held bi-weekly and participants get to win fun prizes during each session.

"I think the meetings are great and teach everyone new things no matter how long they have been doing vaccines!"



Donor Highlight

Dr. Vicki D. Copeland



TAPI is a great organization that tries hard to protect our community by educating everyone, including families, healthcare providers and legislators with the most up to date information regarding immunizations.

WHERE TO FIND RESOURCES



IMMUNIZATION RESOURCES

- TAPI's COVID-19 Resources Landing Page: www.whyimmunize.org/covid-19/
- NRCRIM Get Vaccinated Campaign Multilingual: <https://nrcrim.org/vaccines/vaccine-central>
- CDC Childhood Resources: [Resources for Encouraging Routine Childhood Vaccinations | CDC](https://www.cdc.gov/ncidod/diseases/zoonotic/diseases/routinerecommendations/)
- Made to Save: <https://madetosave.org>
- The Conversation Between Us, About Us: www.greaterthancovid.org
- 2-1-1: www.211.org
- First Things First Parent Resources: www.firstthingsfirst.org/resources/



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