

Community Awareness Committee Agenda

December 18, 2024 | 9:00am-10:00am



- Welcome and Introductions.....Blanca Martinez
- TAPI Executive Update.....James Washington
 - 2025 Meeting date and time
- BIZS Update.....Marcellina Lopez
- Arizona Families for Vaccines.....Ashley Chambers
- Resources Update.....Karin Szymanski
- Disease Update.....Jennifer Tinney
 - Pertussis discussion

ADHS Vaccine Equity Task Force Meeting scheduled at 10am will be held virtually.
meet.google.com/trj-mnxo-pth

NEXT MEETING DATE:


Community Awareness Committee Virtual Meeting

Monday, January 6, 2025

12:00pm – 1:30pm

Community Awareness Committee

December 18, 2024
9:00am- 10:00am




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Welcome and Introductions

Blanca Martinez

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Executive update

James Washington



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Our offices have moved!

City Square, 3838 N. Central Avenue, Suite 1650

Open House to be scheduled early next year.

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TAPI Updates

Preparing for upcoming Federal transition

- Working with national partners for unified messaging
- Communicate challenges and needs
- Collect stories to share with policy makers

Community Awareness Committee Meeting


- Proposing shifting monthly meetings to the **first Monday, 12 pm**
 - 1.5 hour meeting
 - Networking
 - Lunch provided
- Provide your input




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TAPI Updates

2025 Committee Calendar Available



Committee sign up, calendar and handouts on new website:
<https://whyimmunize.org/committee-page/>



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BIZS Update

Marcellina Lopez
BISZ/ADHS



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ARIZONA

TAPI Hybrid Community Awareness Meeting
Vaccine Center Updates

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AGENDA


- Fall Respiratory Virus Season Vaccine Ordering
 - Influenza
 - RSV
 - COVID-19
- Special Considerations
- Advertising Transfers
- New Onboarding VFC Process
- Immunization Advisory Committee (ADHS IAC)
- Annual Training
- Adult Vaccine Updates
- Upcoming Enhancements
- Shipping Updates



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2024-2025
Seasonal Influenza Vaccines

- As of 12/16/2024
 - 136,200 VFC flu doses ordered
 - 112,980 doses available
 - 9,280 does VFA flu doses ordered
 - 820 doses available




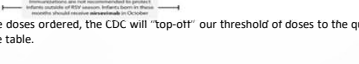
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RSV Vaccines/Nirsevimab Befortus

- Pfizer Abrisvo and Nirsevimab/Beyfortus open for VFC ordering in ASiIS
- The maximum order limit for the 50 mg and 100 mg presentations is 100 doses per order. For additional doses, please send an email to Arizona.VFC@azdhs.gov.


The table below indicates when ABRYSVO® or Nirsevimab should be administered:



Allocations -  Arizona.

Based on the doses ordered, the CDC will "top-off" our threshold of doses to the quantity shown in the table.


Dosage	Dec 09 - Dec 23 Threshold Top-Offs 12/09, 12/23,	Jan 06 - Feb 17 Threshold Top-Offs 01/06, 01/20, 02/03, 02/17
50 msg	2840	2840
100 msg	1380	330



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2024-2025
COVID-19 Vaccines

- Pfizer, Moderna, and Novavax COVID-19 vaccines are authorized by the FDA
- Pfizer, Moderna, and Novavax are available to order in ASiIS for VFC/VFA
 - If a presentation is not currently available, it will show as "unavailable" on the ASiIS order screen, and you will need to wait until it becomes available. There are no guarantees of when presentations will become available.




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Special Considerations

Borrowing Exceptions:

- One-directional borrowing of private vaccines is allowable and unique to the *seasonal influenza vaccine*.
- VFC providers who *maintain private stock of COVID-19 vaccine and nirsevimab* for privately insured children, bidirectional borrowing will be allowed for the 2024-2025 respiratory virus season. (See [Module 10 - Addendum: Special Considerations for COVID-19 Vaccine and Nirsevimab](#))



Resources: [borrowing report](#)



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Advertising Vaccines for Transfer: Available in VOMS

- This feature enables other VFC-enrolled providers in good standing (with no open incidents) to advertise soon-to-expire vaccines (at least 90 days before the expiration date), view other available transfers, and submit transfer requests.
- Authorized users will have access to a comprehensive list of all available vaccines across the state—please be mindful to select providers within reasonable proximity (Transport should not take longer than 30 minutes), avoiding selections from organizations/facilities located too far away.

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Coming Soon

New VFC Enrollment Process


- When a provider is newly onboard with the VFC Program, the BIZS will issue a Notice of Action (NOA) indicating that the provider has met all VFC qualifications to receive a patient panel.
- AHCCCS will send the notification in the Health Plans.

Upload the ASIS list of prescribing providers to AHCCCS - this will be attached to the email to AHCCCS. [Upload file](#)

Upload the new provider Activation NOA - this will be attached to the email to AHCCCS. [Upload file](#)

Email the signed Activation NOA and ASIS list of prescribing providers to AHCCCS Click here to send a REDCap auto-email to AHCCCS [reset](#)


Clicking "send auto-email" will automatically send an email to Rachael Salley at rachael.salley@azahcccs.gov and Nicole Sanchez at nicole.sanchez@azahcccs.gov



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Immunization Advisory Committee (ADHS IAC)


- On October 31, 2024, a transitional meeting was conducted with the VFC Workgroup. To continue to enhance communication, collaboration, ongoing engagement, and feedback with key stakeholders, the ADHS Bureau of Immunization Services (BIZS) is establishing an Immunization Advisory Committee (ADHS IAC) of 15-20 members. Meetings will be held quarterly and will encompass:
 - Government and Public Health representatives (rural and urban)
 - Healthcare Providers and Systems
 - Professional Associations
 - Community and Non-Profit Organizations
 - Educational Institutions
 - Tribal and Indigenous Community Leaders
 - Health Plans
 - Parents, Caregivers, and Family Advocates
 - Youth Service Organizations and Advocacy Groups
 - Experts in Data, Technology, and Reporting (STC)



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VFC Annual Coordinator Training


- The BIZS is updating the AIPOTrain Learning Management System. During this time, the Annual VFC Coordinator training course will not be available.
 - If your annual training has expired or you need to renew your training in the meantime, please complete the CDC's "You Call the Shots" training. You can choose either the Vaccines for Children module or the Vaccine Storage and Handling module.
- The 2025 [You Call the Shots](#) training modules for Vaccine Storage and Handling and Vaccines for Children (VFC) will be published on **January 6, 2025**. For the remainder of the year, the 2024 modules can be accessed at [Vaccines For Children \(VFC\)](#) and [Vaccine Storage and Handling](#).



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Adult Vaccine Updates

- A new CDC price list was released on December 1, 2024, which includes changes to VFA vaccines:
 - Pfizer
 - Penbraya 1 pack of 1 dose vial decreased in price from \$171.96 to \$164.02
 - Penbraya 5 pack of 1 dose vial decreased in price from \$171.99 to \$168.34



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VFC ENHANCEMENTS

VACCINE FOR CHILDREN (VFC) SURVEY

The screenshot shows a web-based survey form titled "Vaccine for Children (VFC) Survey" from the Bureau of Immunization Services (BIS). It includes fields for "Please provide your Provider ID", "Date of Reporting for Survey", "Site ID", and "Site Name". There are several "Yes/No" questions regarding VFC acceptance and reporting. The AZ logo is in the bottom left corner.

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VFC ENHANCEMENTS

IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM FEEDBACK

The screenshot shows a web-based form titled "Immunization Program Feedback" from the Bureau of Immunization Services (BIS). It includes a "Please complete the survey below" instruction and a "Feedback" section with a "Please select the best response that describes the quality of feedback you are providing" question. There are "Yes/No" questions about feedback usefulness and a "Thank you for providing feedback" section. The AZ logo is in the bottom left corner.

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VFC ENHANCEMENTS

IMMUNIZATION PROJECT ENHANCEMENTS

The screenshot shows a dashboard titled "Immunization Project Enhancements" from the Bureau of Immunization Services (BIS). It features a table of "Ongoing projects" with columns for Project, Start Date, and Status. A "Projects in Production" table lists various projects with their start dates and links. The AZ logo is in the bottom left corner.

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Shipping Updates

- The [2024-2025 Holiday Vaccine Shipping Schedule](#) was shared weekly since November 2024.
- To receive your vaccines before the no-shipping period, vaccine orders needed to be submitted in ASIIS by the end of the day on Thursday, December 12th, 2024.
- VFC/VFA No vaccine deliveries on:
 - o Tuesday, 12/24/2024 through Thursday, 12/26/2024 (Christmas)
 - o Wednesday, 01/01/2025 through Thursday, 01/02/2025 (New Year's)

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THANK YOU

Marcellina Lopez | Marcellina.Lopez@azdhs.gov
Bureau of Immunization Services/Preparedness

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Tucson Advocacy Event

Ashley Chambers
Arizona Families for Vaccines

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Resources Update



Karin Szymanski
TAPI



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Resources Update

- Updated and available on the website.

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Resources Update

Protect Yourself and Your Family


Vaccinate Against Flu, COVID-19 & RSV

- Yearly Influenza (Flu) & COVID-19 vaccines are recommended for people 6 months and older.
- RSV (Respiratory Syncytial Virus) vaccine is recommended during pregnancy and for vulnerable adults who are over the age of 60.
- RSV immunization is given to babies whose moms did not receive the RSV vaccine and that are born during the months of October to March.


Talk to your doctor, pharmacist, or health care provider about which vaccines are right for you and your family.

Help Stop the Spread!

- Get vaccinated before you get exposed.
- Wash your hands.
- Open windows for fresh air.
- Wear a mask when needed.
- Stay home when you are sick.



Vaccines are your best defense to help protect you and your loved ones.




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Resources Update



IS YOUR CHILD PROTECTED?

Vaccinate on time to protect your child from 18 serious diseases.



Vaccine Facts:

- Most vaccines are safe and effective.
- Vaccines help prevent illness and death.
- Vaccines help protect your child's health.

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Resources Update

Vaccines Keep Diseases in the Past. Where They Belong.

Spanish Message

While flip phones, record players and 90's music are back, many of us do not even recognize certain diseases. That is because of vaccines!




Appointment follow-up date

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Resources Update

Vaccines Keep These Diseases in the Past. Where They Belong.

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Resources Update

Planning for Pregnancy: The Healthy Way to Start

Whether you are currently pregnant or planning a pregnancy, we understand that there are so many things to think about!

- Take a multivitamin with folic acid.
- Eat a balanced diet & stay active.
- Visit your health care provider for regular checkups.
- See your dentist for regular exams and cleanings.
- Remain up-to-date on your immunizations.

Your immunity is passed along to your baby during pregnancy. This helps protect them for the first few months of life, or until they receive their own immunizations.

Recommended Immunizations	When to Get the Vaccine
COVID-19	anytime/season
Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular pertussis)	27 to 36 weeks pregnant
Varicella (chickenpox)	27 to 36 weeks pregnant

Visit your health care provider for regular check-ups and ask them about what immunizations are important for you and your baby.

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Outbreaks

Jennifer Tinney

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H5N1 Bird Flu: How is it Spreading?

No human-to-human spread of H5N1 has been detected during the current outbreak in dairy cows.

ARIZONA REPORTS ITS FIRST HUMAN CASES

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antigenic shift

cell gets co-infected with multiple influenza viruses...

H1N1, H3N2, H3N1

...gene segments get reassorted...

...resulting virus has new antigenicity

this can lead to pandemics and/or animal influenzas "spilling over" into humans

Shift = Novel Flu

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Influenza H5

- 58 Confirmed Total Reported Human Cases in the United States
- Current public health risk is low, CDC is watching the situation carefully

Confirmed human case summary during the 2024 outbreak, by state and exposure source

State	Cattle	Poultry	Unknown	State Total
California	31	0	1	32
Colorado	1	9	0	10
Michigan	2	0	0	2
Missouri	0	0	1	1
Oregon	0	1	0	1
Texas	1	0	0	1
Washington	0	11	0	11
Source Total	35	21	2	58

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Pertussis

- 669 confirmed or probable cases of Pertussis (exceeded the five-year average of 266).
- The age group most impacted is 5-18, followed by 0-4.
- 67.4% of confirmed or probable cases had received one or more doses of a pertussis containing vaccine, 20.9% were not vaccinated, and the remaining had unknown vaccination status.
- 37 hospitalizations of Pertussis cases were reported in 2024.
- No pertussis deaths have been reported in 2024.

Age Group	Current Week	2024 Total	5-year average	% increase compared to average year	% increase, compared to last week
0-4	127	7	669	152%	-33%
5-18	361	8	266	152%	-33%
19-49	86	1	266	152%	-33%
50-64	44	1	266	152%	-33%
65+	51	1	266	152%	-33%




Pertussis Cases by Age Group	Current Week	2024	Current Week
Apache County	0	0	0
Cochise County	6.88	0.86	0
Cocconino County	5.51	0	0
Gila County	3.75	0	0
Greenlee County	0	0	0
La Paz County	0	0	0
Maricopa County	11.02	0.29	0
Maricopa County	2.81	0	0
Navajo County	5.62	0	0
Pinal County	4.41	0.38	0
Pinal County	13.64	0.24	0
Santa Cruz County	27.27	2.10	0
Yavapai County	11.01	0	0
Yuma County	4.41	0	0

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Pertussis


2011-2012 Cocooning/Pertussis Campaign

- Talking points
- Outbreak webpage
- Banners, E-card | Email tag, Flyer | Poster (small)
- Videos – of the cough
- Education to WIC, childcare centers, hospitals and the community
- Local spokespeople/stories

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Pertussis




Surround Your Loved Ones With A Vaccinated Family
VACCINATE YOUR FAMILY MEMBERS AGAINST PERTUSSIS (WHOOPING COUGH)

What's Pertussis?
A highly contagious respiratory infection that causes severe coughing fits. It can be especially dangerous for infants, young children, and the elderly. Pertussis is spread through coughs and sneezes. It is most common in late winter and early spring.

Not Just Kids Are At Risk
• Pertussis is a serious disease and is especially dangerous in newborns.
• The cough that develops can cause difficulty breathing, hospitalization and even death.


Protect Your Family
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LOCATE a tap site **CALL 2-1-1** **VISIT** WhyImmunize.org




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Pertussis




- What resources will be helpful?



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Thank You!

Next
Community Awareness Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 16, 2025
9:00am - 10:00am



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