Partnering to Immunize Our Children

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To Foster a Comprehensive, Sustained Community Program for the Immunization of Arizona’s Children Against Vaccine-Preventable Diseases by the Year 2010 and Beyond
Arizona Issues

- Rapidly growing and mobile population
- Managed care marketplace
- Children see multiple health care providers resulting in:
  - Fragmented Records
  - Over vaccination
- Diversity of cultures
- High percentage of uninsured children
Facing the reality of under-vaccination

- Office & Clinical Barriers
  - Unnecessary pre-vaccination requirements
- Parental Misconceptions
  - Understanding of vaccines and vaccine schedule
- Missed Opportunities to Vaccinate
  - Sick child appointments and fragmented IZ records
- Misconceptions About Contraindications
  - Invalid contraindications
- Access to Care
  - Underserved areas
Collaborative Partners

- **Public**
  - State Health Department
  - County Health Departments
  - State Medicaid (AHCCCS)
  - Community Health Centers
  - Local Fire Departments

- **Private**
  - Managed Care Organizations
  - Insurers/Health care administrators
  - Professional Medical Associations
  - Child Advocacy Organizations
  - Private Foundations & Corporations
  - Local Coalitions
  - Hospitals and clinics
Request for Proposal:

- Engage statewide partners
- Educate health care providers and other stakeholders
- Organize a conference for 350 participants
- Develop, administer and analyze a survey
- Develop and implement performance improvement projects
- Develop and implement plans with obtainable performance measures
- Organize, plan, administer and analyze immunization “special projects”
Quarterly meetings to meet deliverables
Quality outcomes through community engagement

Steering Committee
- Provider Awareness
- Adult/Community Awareness
- Advocacy
- Communications and Strategic Initiatives

Joint leadership
- Feedback from health care providers
- Pulse of the community messaging
- Targeting audiences
- Timely information
Recipient Activities for FY2013 Five-Year Immunization and VFC Program Funding Opportunity Announcement

1. Enhance stewardship and accountability for all publicly purchased vaccine and VFC and 317 grant funding.
   a. Assure the affordability of the vaccine finance policy and update when budget, target populations, or vaccine recommendations change
   b. Maintain up-to-date vaccine spend plan
   c. Submit annual Population Estimate Survey data
   d. Accomplish replenishment of federal vaccine inventory by the end of each federal fiscal year (September 30); this applies only to grantees who distribute vaccines purchased with state and local funds.
   e. Accomplish replenishment of SCHIP vaccine inventory quarterly
“Outreach to consumers, healthcare providers and policymakers”

Allowable Funding Sources:
317 FA Operations, VFC Operations

Support communications to enhance informed vaccine decision-making for consumers, health care providers, and policy makers.
Meetings, trainings and recognition
Addressing current challenges

SAVE THE DATE
Changes to vaccine funding will have a significant impact on Arizona immunization rates. Your organization’s presence is critical for the dialog on how to help keep AZ children safe. Please plan to attend the:

**Arizona Vaccine Congress III:**
Navigating Changes in Vaccine Funding

May 14, 2012
8:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Phoenix Country Club
(Continental Breakfast and Lunch provided)

Contact Sharon at (602) 288-7568 or sharons@tapi.org
Register online at www.whyimmunization.org
Building consensus among partners

all private insurance cards are not the same...
Sharing tools of the trade
What Does Your Coalition Do Well?

Partner with the community to get the job done!
“….almost 100,000 Babies are Born in Arizona Each Year. None Arrive Immunized.”

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