# April 2018 CCVP Update

#### **CDC Awards Connecticut Childhood Immunization Champion**

<u>National Infant Immunization Week</u> (NIIW) highlights the importance of protecting infants from vaccinepreventable diseases and to celebrate the achievements of immunization programs who promote healthy communities throughout the U.S. During NIIW, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announces their <u>Childhood Immunization Champion awards</u>. These awards acknowledge the outstanding efforts of individuals who strive to ensure that children in their communities are fully immunized against fourteen preventable diseases before age two.

The Connecticut Department of Public Health (DPH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) announced that **Hyung Paek, MD**, Medical Director of Information Technology (IT) at Fair Haven Community Health Care and Yale New Haven Health Systems, has been named *CDC's Connecticut Childhood Immunization Champion* for his outstanding efforts to promote childhood immunization in the state of Connecticut.

Dr. Hyung Paek is recognized for innovating and promoting IT to improve the efficiency and quality of clinical care in the greater New Haven community, including immunization rates. Under Dr. Paek's leadership, Yale New Haven Health Services and Fair Haven Community Health Care were the first pediatric clinics in Connecticut to report electronically from their electronic health record (EHR) to the Connecticut Immunization Information System (IIS).

Dr. Paek is a pediatrician and a father who has seen the overwhelming positive impact immunization has on the health of children. "Childhood infections that used to cause severe illnesses and, in some cases, death are



now a historical footnote that is open to debate in a small group of the population, mostly those who they themselves or their friends and family have not witnessed the severe consequences of those illnesses."

Dr. Paek has said "Having accurate immunization information in the hands of those who need it is key to keeping our children healthy. All too often, scattered medical information across many EHRs and paper records cause us to fail in vaccinating appropriately or, in some cases, repeat unnecessary vaccinations. Immunization registries are an important tool for providers as well as parents to maintain high immunization rates, not only to protect those who do receive the vaccinations, but also those who do not."

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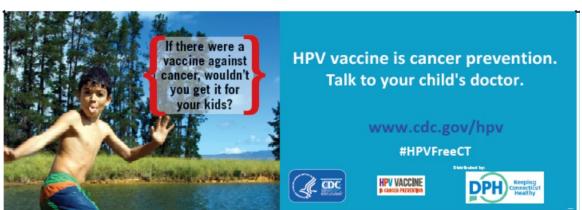
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### National Infant Immunization Week

IMMUNIZATION. POWER TO PROTECT. April 21-28, 2018

National Infant Immunization Week (NIIW) is an annual observance to highlight the importance of protecting infants from vaccine-preventable diseases and to celebrate the achievements of immunization programs in promoting healthy communities throughout the United States.

- Communities have continued to use the week each year to raise awareness about the importance of ensuring all children are fully protected from vaccine preventable diseases through immunization. Today, many immunization programs, partners and communities can celebrate high infant immunization rates.
- Vaccines are among the most successful and cost-effective public health tools available for preventing disease and death. They not only help protect vaccinated individuals, but also help protect entire communities by preventing and reducing the spread of infectious diseases. Among children born during 1994-2016, vaccination will prevent an estimated 381 million illnesses, 24.5 million hospitalizations, and 855,000 deaths over the course of their lifetimes.
- Immunization is a shared responsibility. Families, healthcare professionals, and public health officials must work together to help protect the entire community.
- Join the Twitter Storm at #ivax2protect!
- For more information on NIIW, the CDC website has information at <u>https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/</u> <u>events/niiw/index.html</u>.
- Activities will be held all over Connecticut that week for children and their parents.



#### HPV Bus Advertisements

The Immunization Program has received some funding for a multi-faceted HPV ad campaign. The first part of the campaign will include bus advertisements for HPV vaccine that will be running on buses in Hartford, New Britain, Stamford, and New Haven the weeks of April 9–May 6 and July 30 - August 26.

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#### **Statewide Vaccination Rates Continue to Improve**

CIRTS data are used to calculate the percentage of children that complete the primary childhood vaccine series (4 DTaP, 3 polio, 1 MMR, 3 Hib, 3 hepatitis B, 1 varicella, and 4 PCV vaccine doses) by 24 months. For the 2014 birth cohort, the statewide rate was 87%. Immunization Action Plan (IAP) area rates were also calculated based on children enrolled in CIRTS who reside in the town(s) of the IAP area. The IAP Programs are located in the areas at highest risk of low immunization rates and their objective is to increase the coverage rates among pre-school age children. The composite IAP area rate for the 2014 birth cohort was also 87%. Please see the DPH Vaccine-preventable Disease Dashboard for additional information (www.ct.gov/dph/dashboard).

Birth Cohort	IAP Rate	Statewide Rate
2010	81%	79%
2011	81%	79%
2012	83%	81%
2013	85%	84%
2014	87%	87%

#### Statewide Immunization Status on 2<sup>nd</sup> Birthday for Children Enrolled in CIRTS

#### Connecticut Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics and the DPH State Immunization Program Webinar

The upcoming CT AAP Webinar Date is May 10 at Noon. Join us and hear about the new Immunization Information System which will be known as CT WiZ.



This new system will be the single location for all of your vaccination needs including ordering,

reconciling, and recording vaccinations.

To register for the webinar, go to http://ct-aap.org/2018

## For additional questions or information on immunizations, please contact the Connecticut Vaccine Program at (860) 509-7929.

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Congratulations to the Following Practices for Achieving a ≥ 90 - 94% Immunization Rate on CIRTS Enrolled Children Born in 2014

Alliance Medical Group/Greater Waterbury Avon Pediatrics Banack, Sherry MD **Bay Street Pediatrics** Bridgeport Family Health Brookside Pediatrics Bush/Spiegelman/Pemberton/Robert MD's Canterbury Pediatrics CHC/New London Child & Adolescent Health/New Haven Child & Adolescent Health/ Waterbury Day Kimball Medical Group/Danielson Day Kimball Pediatric Center East Granby Family Practice First Choice Health Center/E Hartford Gales Ferry Pediatric **Guilford** Pediatrics Marmer, Ellen MD Merced, Wanda MD Meriden Family Practice Meríden Pediatric Associates Mt Sinai/Burgdorf New London Family Practice Newington Pediatrics Newtown Center Pediatrics North Stonington Backus Health Center Northwest Hills Pediatric/Sharon Norwich Pediatric/Norwich **Optimum Medical** Optimus Health Care/E Main St Optimus Health Care/Main St Pediatric Optimus Health Care/Park City Park Street Pediatric Pediatric & Adolescent Health Care/Ansonia

Pediatric & Adolescent Health/Brookfield Pediatric & Adolescent Medicine/Cheshire Pediatric & Adolescent Medicine/Orange Pediatric & Adolescent Med/Wallingford Pediatric Associates/Cheshire Pediatric Care Associates/Shelton Pedí Healthcare Associates/Bridgeport Pediatrics Plus Pedicorp/West Hartford Pedicorp/Windsor Personal Care Pediatric Peterson, Mark MD Pond Place Pediatrics/Prospect Prakash Pediatrics Primed Pediatrics/Trumbull Prohealth Physicians/Windham Ram, Amítabh MD **Reliable** Pediatrics Shaban. Sedat MD Smart Start Pediatrics South Windsor Pediatrics Southington Pediatric Associates Starling Physicians/Pediatric/New Britain Starling Physicians/Pediatric/Newington Stamford Pediatric/Stamford Summer Pediatrics SW/Com Health Center/Fairfield **TLC** Pediatrics Unionville Pediatric Group Vernon Pediatrics West Hartford Pediatrics West Haven Pediatrics Wildwood Pediatric/Old Say Yale New Haven Pediatric PCC

Congratulations to the Following Practices for Achieving a ≥ 95 - 100% Immunization Rate on CIRTS Enrolled Children Born in 2014

Auerbach Pediatrics **Baker Pediatrics** Bridgeport Hospital Primary Care Bristol Pediatric Center Branford Pediatric & Allergy/Branford Branford/N Branford Pedi/Branford Branford/N Branford Pedi/N Branford **Central Pediatrics** CHC/Clinton CHC/Danbury CHC/Groton CHC/Hartford at CCMC CHC/Waterbury Child Care Associate/Danbury Children's Med Associates Children's Med Grp/ Bloomfield Children's Med Grp/Hamden Children's Med Grp/Rocky Hill Center Advanced Pediatrics/Norwalk Center For Pedi Med/Danbury Center For Pediatric Medicine/N Ffld Com Health Center/Norwalk **Cornerstone** Pediatrics CT Valley Pedi Center Curí, Míchael MD Doctors Pediatric/Ridgefield Doctors Pediatric/Wilton East Avenue Pediatrics Ellington Pediatrics

**Enfield Pediatric Associates** Farmington Pedi & Adolescent Med **Flanders** Pediatrics Galan, Laurentíu MD Gales Ferry Pediatric/Old Saybrook GDCHC/South Gold Star Pediatrics Greenwich Hospital Amb Pediatric Hamden Pediatrics Hartford Area Pediatrics High Ridge Family Practice Lavoie, Richard J. MD Mansfield Fam Practice Marlborough Pediatrics Middlesex Pediatric Associates Milford Pedi Grp/Stratford New Britain Pediatric Group Norwich Pediatric/Colchester **Optimus Health Care/Atlantic St** Optimus Health Care/Fam Med Cnt Parnes, Robert MD Pedí & Med Associate/Cheshire Pedí & Med Associate/New Haven Pedí Associate/Branford Pedí Associate/Bristol Pedí Associate/New London Pedi Healthcare Associates/Ffld Cnt Pedi Associate/Western CT Pedí Healthcare Assoc/Shelton

Pedi Healthcare Assoc/Strtfd Pedi Healthcare Assoc/Trumbull Pediatric Medicine/Wlafd Pediatric Partners/Bloomfield Phillips, Foster I. MD Pioneer Valley Pediatrics Rainbow Pediatrics Rocky Hill Pediatrics Sachetí, Vandana MD Santoro, Fred E. MD Schwartz, Lester MD Shoreline Pedi/Clinton Shoreline Pedi/Madison/North Simsbury Pediatrics Somerset Fam Health Care Spiesel/Butler/Davis MD's Starling Phys/Pedi/Plainville Stamford Pedi/Darien Stratford Pediatrics Sutay and Stewart Pediatrics SW/Com Health Center/Albion The Healthy Child Toscano, Robert MD Village Pediatrics Western CT Med Grp/Southbury Willows Pediatric Group **Vale Health Plan Pediatrics** 

Recognition based on the following schedule administered on or before the children's 2nd birthday Valid 4:3:1:3:3:1:4: 4 DTaP, 3 Polio, 1 MMR, 3 Hib, 3 Hep B, 1 Varicella, 4 PCV. Rate is based on practices with ≥ 10 CIRTS enrolled children born in 2014



