



2023 National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM)

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- **August 1, 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM. National Night Out (NNO) with the Stamford Police Department at Latham Park, Walton Place, Stamford** This event will increase awareness about police programs in communities, and other anti-crime efforts, and is an extraordinary event that shares the best with our community. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, free giveaway items and highlight NIAM!
- **August 2, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Stamford WIC Office at 888 Washington Boulevard, Stamford** Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, free giveaway items and highlight NIAM!
- **August 7 & 21, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM. Optimus Bridgeport WIC Office at 1450 Barnum Ave #205, Bridgeport** Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, free giveaway items and highlight NIAM!
- **August 9, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM. Southwest Community Health Center (CHC)'s 16th Annual Health Fair at 968 Fairfield Ave, Bridgeport** This day is designed to bring the community together and for Southwest CHC's patients to learn about the resources around them. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, free giveaway items and highlight NIAM! [Link to event flyer!](#)
- **August 9, 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM. CHC, Inc. National Health Center Week EVENT at 22 5th St, Stamford.** The event is meant to increase awareness about Community Health Centers in our neighborhoods. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, free giveaway items and highlight NIAM! [Link to event flyer!](#)
- **Month of August:** Check out [Southwestern AHEC's Facebook Page](#) and Instagram: @swahec_ct for immunization updates, educational information, and resources all month during NIAM!
- **Month of August** – Also check out our [Sway Page](#)

[DANBURY/NORWALK](#)

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- Immunization information will be posted and available for the taking for people of all ages, including vaccination schedules for young children, teens, adults, and pregnant women. Vaccine safety and CT's Immunization Information System (CT WiZ) will be featured with tips on how to visit the CT WiZ Public Portal on-line for people to access their immunization records or for parents to obtain their children's immunization records.
Norwalk Health Department lobby outside the WIC office, 137 East Ave. Norwalk.
Danbury Health and Human Services lobby, 155 Deer Hill Ave. Danbury.
CIFC GDCHC Regional Danbury WIC Program, 120 Main Street, 1st Floor. Danbury
- Immunization information for pregnant women and infants will be posted and available for the taking. Displays will feature vaccines needed before, during and after pregnancy, infant and toddler immunization schedules, the importance of the Hepatitis B birth dose, vaccine safety, and CT WiZ.
Norwalk Hospital Maternity Unit, 34 Maple St. Norwalk
Danbury Hospital Maternity lobby, Main lobby and NICU entrance, 24 Hospital Ave. Danbury. Immunization outreach workers will be present to discuss important vaccinations needed for people of all ages. Not sure if you/your child are up to date? Come by and chat with the Norwalk Health Department staff knowledgeable about routine and COVID-19 vaccinations!

*All events listed are open to the public except the WIC Program baby shower which is for WIC clients only.



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- **August 7, 14, 21, 28, 9 AM–12 PM** - Stepping Stones Museum for Children, 303 West Ave. Norwalk
- **August 9, 23, 30, 11 AM–3 PM** - Norwalk Community Health Center Farmers Market - 120 CT Ave. in parking lot, Norwalk
- **August 10, 12:30 PM–4:30 PM** - CIFIC Health's Community Day Fair, Danbury Community Center 120 Main St. Danbury in parking lot
- **August 11, 1:30–3:30 PM** - Norwalk WIC Program Baby Shower for expectant parents, 137 East Ave. Norwalk - in parking lot – FOR WIC CLIENTS ONLY
- **August 12, 11:00 AM–2:00 PM** - Norwalk Community Health Center's Family Fun Fair- 120 CT Ave. in parking lot, Norwalk
- **August 15, 5:00PM-8:00PM** – Norwalk Police Department, 1 Monroe St, South Norwalk
- **CT WiZ (CT's Immunization Information System (IIS))/Immunization Record Check** will be performed for children receiving support services from **Family and Children's Agency (FCA) in Norwalk**. Families enrolled in FCA's programs are being asked to sign releases for their children's immunization records to be evaluated by FCA staff and Norwalk IAP. Children who are late with vaccinations or who do not have a provider identified will be followed up by FCA program caseworkers. Parents will be offered enrollment in CT WiZ if their child is not already enrolled. Those interested in learning more about Family and Children Agency's family support programs may contact: Margaret Woglom at: 203-523-5341 or email: mwoglom@fcagency.org
- **Norwalk Health Department's Facebook Page** check out posts to help people of all ages get back on track with important vaccinations at: <https://www.facebook.com/norwalkhealth>
- **Follow Norwalk Health Department's tweets** regarding immunizations for people across the lifespan at: [@norwalkhealth](https://twitter.com/norwalkhealth)
- **Follow Norwalk Health Department on Instagram** for posts to keep you and your family on schedule with important immunizations at: <https://www.instagram.com/norwalkhealth/>
- **Norwalk Health Department website** offers information about the childhood immunization program, adult and travel immunizations, vaccination schedules, and CT WiZ at: www.norwalkct.org/health

HARTFORD/GREATER HARTFORD AREA

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- **Social Media** – Please check out Hispanic Health Council social media sites throughout the month of August for various immunization posts:
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HispanicHealthCouncil/>
 - Twitter: https://twitter.com/hisphealth_ct
 - Instagram: https://www.instagram.com/hispanichealthcouncil_ct/

Month of August: IAP Team will attend back to school rallies and health fairs at the below location:

- **August 1, 5 PM –8 PM. Meriden National Night Out:** Hubbard Park 999 West Main St. Meriden. [Midstate Chamber of Commerce: Events in Central CT](#)
- **August 1, 5 PM – 8 PM. Hartford National Night Out:** Keney Park 171 Windsor Ave. Windsor. [North Hartford National Night Out 2023 – City of Hartford \(hartfordct.gov\).](#)
- **August 4, 11 AM –1 PM. Family Wellness Fair:** 560 Hudson St. Hartford.
- **August 10, 12 PM –3 PM. Annual Wellness Resource Fair:** 25 Laurel St. Hartford.



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- **August 10, 11 AM –3 PM. Community Health Services Annual Health Fair:** 500 Albany Ave. Hartford. [CHS News & Events \(chshartford.org\)](#)
- **August 11, 4:30 PM – 7:30 PM. Windsor Block Party:** Deerfield Park Seymour St. Windsor. [Community Block Parties \(townofwindsorct.com\)](#)
- **August 12, 11 AM –2 PM. Back 2 School Bash Event:** 1019 Broad St. Hartford
- **August 13, 1 PM –3 PM. Manchester Annual School Drive** Charter Oak Park – 50 Charter Oak St. Manchester.
- **August 14, 1:30 PM –2 PM. Grace Worship Center** 750 Wethersfield Ave. Hartford.
- **August 17, 2 PM – 6:30 PM. East Hartford Town Green** 1021 Main St. East Hartford.
- **August 19, 11 AM – 3 PM. Back to School at Beman Middle School:** 1 Wilderman’s Way Middletown.
- **August 19, 10 AM –3 PM. Wesleyan Church Health and Wellness Fair** 7 Walsh St. Bloomfield.
- **August 22, 4pm-6:30pm** Hartford Block Party Marshall St. Hartford.
- **August 25, 9 AM – 2 PM. Hartford Yard Goat Health Fair** 1214 Main St. Hartford.
- **August 7–August 11, 9 AM –1 PM.** IAP Team will have a table set up at Hispanic Health Council 175 Main St. Hartford.
- **August 4, 9 AM –2 PM. Middletown Farmers Market Union Park** at South Green Main St &, Pleasant St. Middletown.
- **August 22, 3 PM –6 PM. East Hartford Farmers Market** 840 Main St. East Hartford.

Month of August: IAP Team will be conducting the following presentations (open to public):

- **August 3, 5 PM – 6 PM. “Mujeres Empoderadas” Domestic Violence Support Group in Spanish** 175 Main St. Hartford.
- **August 15, 10 AM –2 PM. LEO Clinic** 602 New Britain Ave. Hartford.
- **August 15, 10 AM – 2 PM. Wheeler Clinic Primary Care** 43 Woodland St. Hartford.
- **August 29, 11 AM – 12 PM. South End Senior Center** 830 Maple Ave. Hartford.

[LEDGE LIGHT HEALTH DISTRICT](#)

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- Check out LLHD website and social media throughout the month for “Wellness Wednesdays”:
 - Website: llhd.org
 - Facebook: [@LedgeLightHD](https://www.facebook.com/LedgeLightHD)
 - Instagram: [@ledgelighthd](https://www.instagram.com/ledgelighthd)
 - Twitter: [@ledgelightHD](https://twitter.com/ledgelightHD)
- **August 7, 11:30 AM** – Presentation to residents at Stonington Arms – **135 South Broad St. Pawcatuck.**
- Farmers Market – Community Outreach:
 - **August 10, 3:00 – 6:00 PM. Niantic Farmers Market, Methodist St. Niantic.**
 - **August 22, 3:00 – 6:00 PM. Groton City Farmers Market, Washington Park**
 - **August 30, 3:00 – 6:00 PM. Ledyard Farmers’ Market Ledyard Fair Grounds**
- **August 11, 2:00 PM –4:00 PM. Navy Families Block Party – Resource and Health Fair, Beacon Point Homes, 100 Tern Rd. Groton.**
- Community outreach at Food Pantries and Public Libraries:
 - **August 2, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM. New London Meal Center, 12 Montauk Ave. New London.**
 - **August 7, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Huntington Towers, 149 Huntington St. New London.**



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- **August 9, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM.** New London Senior Center, 10 Brainard St. New London.
- **August 14, 10:00 AM –12:00 PM.** Groton Library, 10 Brainard St. New London.

[NAUGATUCK VALLEY HEALTH DISTRICT \(NVHD\)](#)

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- **Immunization Information Displays** - Immunization information will be available for all age groups in our main clinic area and WIC satellite office at NVHD: at the immunization clinic site adjacent to our office (**98 Bank St, Rear Entrance, Seymour**). The displays will provide routine and COVID immunization information for babies, school-age children, preteens, teens, pregnant women, and adults. Immunization schedules, information about CT WiZ and giveaways will also be available.
- **Social Media** – Check out NVHD’s social media sites throughout the month of various immunization posts:
 - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NaugatuckValleyHD/>
 - Twitter: <https://twitter.com/NaugValleyHD>
 - Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/naugatuckvalleyhd/>
 - Website: <https://www.nvhd.org/>

[NEW BRITAIN](#)

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In the month of August:

- In the waiting room of the Health Department (**16 Pearl St, New Britain**) there will be a poster displayed with information about the HPV vaccine.
- On the community board at the New Britain Public Library (**20 High St, New Britain**) there will be a vaccination poster with resources and free items for children.
- **Every Wednesday in August, 11:00 AM -2:00 PM:** At the Main Street Market (**230 Main Street, New Britain**), the health department will have a table with information about vaccines for all ages, vaccine fun facts, and free giveaways.

[NEW HAVEN/GREATER NEW HAVEN AREA](#)

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- **August 5, 10:00 AM –12:00 PM.** B.J. Petty Community Health Day – Widow’s Son Lodge, 106 Goffe St. New Haven. IAP staff will share information about NIAM.
- **August 7, 11:00 AM –2:00 PM.** Gateway Center Building 54 Meadow St. New Haven. IAP staff will present an education table in the lobby.
- **August 12, 1:00 PM – 5:00 PM.** Puerto Rican Festival, on the New Haven Green, 250 Temple St., New Haven. IAP staff will present an education table.
- **August 23, 10:00 AM –1:00 PM.** Gateway Center Building 54 Meadow St. New Haven. IAP staff will present an education table in the lobby.
- New Haven Youth and Recreation Department’s Family Fun Day events:
 - **August 9, 2:30 PM –5:30 PM.** Goffe St. Park, New Haven
 - **August 23, 2:30 PM – 5:30 PM.** Bassett St. Park, New Haven



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TORRINGTON AREA HEALTH DISTRICT (TAHD)

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- **August 3, 1 PM –3 PM. 350 Main Street, Torrington** WIC Office Come celebrate **“Breastfeeding with WIC”**, Games, Q & A, crafts, and Lunch will be provided check out display of information on Pregnant Women: Protect yourself and pass protection on to your baby.
- **August 9, 10 AM –2 PM. 469 Migeon Ave, Torrington** IAP will attend **“National Health Center Week event”** hosted by Community Health and Wellness. IAP workers will have a table set up with information on all vaccines as well as fun giveaways.
- **August 9, 5:30 PM –7:30 PM. 437 S Main St, Thomaston** IAP will attend the **“Young Professionals Organization”** by Chamber of Commerce Event at the Litchfield County Axe House in Thomaston. IAP workers will have a table set up with information on all vaccines.
- **August 18, 4 PM –8 PM.** IAP will attend **“Celebrate Belonging”** event outdoors on closed to traffic **Main Street in Torrington**. IAP workers will have a table set up for NIAM with brochures, giveaways, and have answers to your immunization questions.
- TAHD Billboard will change weekly advertising National Immunization Awareness all Month.
- Our daily Social Media posts will promote NIAM:
 - Website: tahd.org/immunization
 - Facebook: [Facebook@TAHD1967](https://www.facebook.com/TAHD1967)

WATERBURY

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- **Month of August** Be sure to check out the Waterbury Health Department Facebook page at: <https://www.facebook.com/waterburyhealthdepartment/>. Various informational video clips will be posted in celebration of NIAM!
- **Month of August** Be on the lookout for NIAM bus ads on CT Transit bus lines traveling around Waterbury and surrounding towns.
- **Month of August** Educational Display tables will be posted at both **Waterbury & St. Mary’s Hospital Birthing Centers in Waterbury**. Educational immunization materials will be available to expectant mothers and babies.
- **August 5, 12 PM –4 PM.** IAP Program will be attending the **2nd Annual Community Block Party being held at 135 East Liberty, Waterbury**. This event is being hosted by Staywell Health Center & the Hispanic Coalition. Staywell will be providing Health screenings & information on community resources. Music, food, games, and activities will also be available. This event is open to the public.
- **August 10, 10 AM –2 PM.** IAP Program will be attending **Health is AmeriCorps Summer Senior Expo at the Waterbury Green** (downtown area) to distribute vaccination educational brochures & materials to community. This event is open to the public.
- **August 16, 12 PM –2 PM.** IAP program will be attending the **“Back to School” Rally** being held at **Fulton Park in Waterbury**. The event is sponsored by the Waterbury Youth Services and the Waterbury Department of



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Education. The Rally is FREE and open to all Waterbury school children and their families. Come join us for FREE school supplies, food, entertainment, and lots of community resources. This event is open to the public.

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NIAM is an annual observance held in August to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages.

NIAM was established to encourage people of all ages to make sure they are up to date on the vaccines recommended for them. Communities have continued to use the month each year to raise awareness about the important role vaccines play in preventing serious, sometimes deadly, diseases. Please visit <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niam/index.html> for more information.