



## 2022 National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) Local [Immunization Action Plan \(IAP\)](#) Activities

### [BRIDGEPORT/STAMFORD/GREENWICH](#)

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- **August 2<sup>nd</sup> 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM National Night Out (NNO) with the Stamford Police Department at Latham Park, Walton Place, Stamford**  
The event is meant to increase awareness about police programs in communities, and other anti-crime efforts. It is an extraordinary event that shares the best with our community. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, and free giveaway items! [Link to event flyer!](#)
- **August 8<sup>th</sup> 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, and free giveaway items!
- **August 10<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Optimus Senior Patient Appreciation at 982 East Main St, Bridgeport**  
A community event to celebrate Bridgeport seniors. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, and free giveaway items! [Link to event flyer!](#)
- **August 10<sup>th</sup> 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Southwest Community Health Center’s 15th 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, and free giveaway items! [Link to event flyer!](#)
- **Month of August – Farmers Markets & Food Assistance Resources throughout Bridgeport**  
As our team is available, we will be attending various farmers markets and food assistance resource events in the Bridgeport community. Southwestern AHEC will be there to distribute immunization information, resources, and free giveaway items!  
[Link to Bridgeport Food Assistance Resources](#)  
[Link to Bridgeport Farmers Markets](#)
- **Month of August** – Check out our NIAM public messaging campaign on six city buses in the Greater Bridgeport and Greater Stamford area.
- **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 COVID-19 vaccination records or for parents to obtain their children’s immunization records.  
**Norwalk Health Department lobby** outside the WIC office, 137 East Avenue, Norwalk.  
**Danbury Health and Human Services lobby**, 155 Deer Hill Ave, Danbury.  
**CIFC GDCHC Regional Danbury WIC Program**, 120 Main Street, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Danbury  
**Stepping Stones Museum for Children**, 303 West Ave., Norwalk



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- 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 or your child are up to date? Come by and chat with Norwalk Health Dept. staff knowledgeable about routine and COVID-19 vaccinations!
  - August 1, 8,15,22,29, 9 am-1pm** Stepping Stones Museum for Children, 303 West Ave., Norwalk
  - August 2, 6pm – 8pm** Newtown National Night Out, 8 Simpson Street, Newtown
  - August 3-11 am-2 pm** Rainbow Plaza Shopping Center, 205 Main St., Norwalk
  - August 5, 12-2 pm** Rowayton Farmers Market, 177 Rowayton Ave., Norwalk
  - August 9, 17, 23, 10 am-2pm** Norwalk Health Dept. main lobby- 137 East Ave., Norwalk
  - August 10** CIFIC Health’s Community Day Fair, Danbury Community Center parking lot, 12 Boughton St., Danbury
  - August 13** Norwalk Community Health Center’s Family Fun Fair- 120 CT Ave. in parking lot, Norwalk
- **Norwalk Health Department’s Facebook Page** check out posts to help people of all ages to 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)
- **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 Norwalk IAP and FCA staffs. 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 if their child’s record is not found in the IIS. 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](mailto:mwoglom@fcagency.org)

### [HARTFORD/GREATER HARTFORD AREA](#)

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- **Month of August:** The IAP will conduct a social media campaign of at least one post per week on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram platforms:
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/HispanicHealthCouncil/>
  - Twitter: [https://twitter.com/hisphealth\\_ct](https://twitter.com/hisphealth_ct)
  - Instagram: [https://www.instagram.com/hispanichealthcouncil\\_ct/](https://www.instagram.com/hispanichealthcouncil_ct/)
- **Month of August:** The IAP will attend back to school rallies and health fairs at the below location.
  - EHPS Back to School Rally **Date: August 10, 2022 Location: 740 Main St. East Hartford, CT 06108 Time: 3:30 to 6:30 pm.**
  - Back to School Bash **Date: August 6, 2022 Location: 993-1019 Broad St. Hartford, CT 06106 Time: 11am to 1pm.**



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- Jump Around LLC 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Back to School Back and School Supplies Drive **Date: August 21, 2022**  
**Location: Charter Oak Park, 50 Charter Oak St, Manchester, CT 06040. Time: 1 to 3pm.**
- National Health Center Week – Community Health Fair **Date: August 12, 2022** **Location: 19 Grand Street, Middletown, CT** **Time: 3 to 6pm.**
- Deerfield Park Block Party – **Date: August 12, 2022. Location: Deerfield Park, Windsor CT** **Time: 4:30 to 7:30pm**
- CREC Back to School Block Party: **Date: August 17, 2022** **Location: 111 Charter Oak Ave, Hartford, CT 06106** **Time: 3 to 6pm.**
- Health Fair @ St. Augustine Church: **Date: August 27, 2022** **Location: 10 Campfield Ave, Hartford, CT 06114** **Time: 9am to 4pm.**
- **Month of August:** The IAP will have a table set up at the below Farmers Markets
  - North End Farmers Market **Date: August 3, 2022** **Location: 80 Coventry St., Hartford, CT 06112** **Time: 9 am to 12pm.**
  - Meriden Farmers Market **Date: August 20, 2022** **Location: Mill St, Meriden CT 06450** **Time: 9am to 1pm**
  - Middletown Farmers Market **Date: August 26, 2022** **Location: Union Park at South Green Main St &, Pleasant St, Middletown, CT 06457** **Time: 9:30 am to 1pm.**

### [LEDGE LIGHT HEALTH DISTRICT](#)

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- Check out LLHD website and social media throughout the month for “Wellness Wednesdays”:
  - Website: [llhd.org](http://llhd.org)
  - Facebook: [@LedgeLightHD](https://www.facebook.com/LedgeLightHD)
  - Instagram: [@ledgelighthd](https://www.instagram.com/ledgelighthd)
  - Twitter: [@ledgelightHD](https://twitter.com/ledgelightHD)
- Mystic and Niantic residents - check out the article in “*Mystic and Niantic Neighbors*” Magazine, which arrives in your mailboxes.
- **Month of August: Community outreach at all Farmer’s Markets:**
  - August 2** – Washington Park in Groton
  - August 3** – Fairgrounds in Ledyard
  - August 6** – Waterford Town Hall
  - August 11** – Main Street in Niantic
  - August 20** – William/Mercer in New London
  - August 27** – Velvet Mill in Stonington

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

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- **Immunization Information Displays** - Immunization information will be available for all age groups in 2 different areas at NVHD: on the 2nd floor outside of the WIC satellite office (98 Bank St, 2nd FL, Seymour, CT 06483) and at the immunization clinic site adjacent to our office (98 Bank St, Rear Entrance, Seymour, CT 06483). The displays will provide routine and COVID immunization information for babies, school-age children, preteens,



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teens, pregnant women, and adults. Immunization schedules, information about CT WiZ and giveaways will also be available.

- **Social Media** – Please check out NVHD’s social media sites throughout the month of various immunization posts. Sites include:
  - 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 waiting room of the Health Department (88 Prospect St, New Britain) there will be a poster displayed with information about 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 goodies to hand out.
- **August 3, 2022, 11:00am -2:00pm:** At the farmer’s market at Central Park in New Britain, the health department will have a table with information about vaccines for all ages, vaccine fun facts, and resources to hand out.

### NEW HAVEN/GREATER NEW HAVEN AREA

Contact: Jennifer Roberts, IAP [jroberts@newhavenct.gov](mailto:jroberts@newhavenct.gov) 203-946-7257

- **Month of August:** NIAM information will be posted on following website:
  - New Haven Health <https://www.newhavenct.gov/gov/depts/health/default.htm>
- **8/6/22 – 11:00am-3:00pm:** B.J. Petty Community Health Day – Widow’s Son Lodge, 106 Goffe St. New Haven, IAP staff will share information about NIAM
- **8/11/22- 11:00am-1:00pm:** IAP staff will present an education table at the Keefe Center, Hamden, CT
- **8/15/22-11:00am-1:00pm** IAP staff will present an education table at the Keefe Center, Hamden, CT
- The New Haven Youth and Recreation Department’s Family Fun Day events:
  - **8/10/22 – 2:30pm – 5:30pm:** Goffe St. Park, New Haven
  - **8/24/22 - 2:30pm-5:30pm:** Bassett ST. Park, New Haven
- **8/25/22 – 11am-1:00pm** IAP staff will be present at an immunization education table at the FARMERS MARKET: at 11 Pine St Hamden
- NIAM Awareness Social media posts:
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/NHPublicHealth/>
  - Twitter: [@NHPublicHealth](https://twitter.com/NHPublicHealth)
  - Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/nhpublichealth/?hl=en>
  - Website: <https://www.newhavenct.gov/gov/depts/health/default.htm>



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### TORRINGTON AREA HEALTH DISTRICT (TAHD)

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- **Aug 9<sup>th</sup>** IAP will attend ***Chemistry For Strong Communities*** event hosted by Community Health and Wellness from 10am – 2pm in Winsted, CT, 10 Center St, Winsted, CT 06098. IAP workers will be talking about vaccines for all ages, passing out information from the DPH and CDC website, and we will have plenty of fun giveaways.
- **Aug 10<sup>th</sup>** IAP will attend ***Patient Appreciation*** event hosted by Community Health and Wellness from 10am – 2pm, 469 Migeon Ave, Torrington, CT 06790. IAP workers will have a table set up with information on all vaccines as well as fun giveaways.
- **Aug 11<sup>th</sup>** at 12:15pm - we will be hosting a Virtual ***Lunch and Learn: HPV and Building Vaccine Confidence*** for Providers, Medical Staff, and Community Outreach Workers. We encourage all to log on ([Click here to join the meeting](#)).
- **Aug 26<sup>th</sup>** 4pm – 8pm - IAP will attend ***Celebrate Belonging*** event outdoors on closed to traffic Main Street in Torrington, CT. IAP workers will have a table set up for NIAM with brochures, giveaways, and have answers to all of your immunization questions.
- TAHD Billboard will change weekly advertising National Immunization Awareness all Month.
- Our daily Social Media posts will promote NIAM. In addition to posts about NIAM and vaccines, our social media posts throughout the month will include pictures of our community partners that have received NIAM packages holding their *Immunization Advocate* mugs or their NIAM book displays. Please visit:
  - Website: [tahd.org/immunization](http://tahd.org/immunization)
  - Facebook: [Facebook@TAHD1967](https://www.facebook.com/TAHD1967)

### WATERBURY

**Month of August:** Contact: Natasha Arce-Izquierdo, IAP [narce@waterburyct.org](mailto:narce@waterburyct.org) 203-346-3907

- **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 National Immunization Awareness Month!
- **Month of August:** Be on the lookout for National Immunization Awareness Month 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, CT**. Educational immunization materials will be available to expectant mothers and babies.
- **Month of August:** IAP program will be distributing CT WiZ tote bags with educational brochures and materials to local daycares every week regarding the importance of children's immunizations.
- **Month of August:** Check out display at the **Waterbury Health Department's WIC program 185 S Main St., Waterbury waiting area** with assorted colorful brochures and educational materials for parents and children.
- **August 3<sup>rd</sup> 3pm-5pm:** IAP program will be handing out CT WiZ tote bags with educational brochures and materials to the parents and children of the **Boys & Girls Club of Greater Waterbury at 1037 E Main St. Waterbury, CT 06705**.
- **August 5<sup>th</sup> 10am-2pm:** IAP Program will be attending **Health is Wealth 2022 Resource Expo at the Waterbury Green** (downtown area) to distribute vaccination educational brochures & materials to community.



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- **August 6<sup>th</sup> 12pm-3pm:** IAP Program will be attending the **1st Annual Community Block Party** being held at **80 Phoenix Ave. Waterbury, CT**. This event is being hosted by Staywell Health Center. Staywell will be providing Health screenings & information on community resources. Music, food, games and activities will also be available.
- **August 17<sup>th</sup> 12pm-2pm:** 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 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.

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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.