What's Happening Wednesday
Kansas Immunization Program

VFC Consultant on Call - The Consultant on call for next week is Becky Prall at becky.prall@ks.gov. The Consultant on call can be reached at 785-296-5592.

Chief Chat- Every Child By Two (ECBT), a national immunization education and advocacy partner has released the Every Child By Two 2017 State of the ImmUnion Report. This report highlights the successes of vaccines, the economic and social savings incurred from vaccines, challenges facing the public health system and key areas of focus to achieve optimal protection against vaccine-preventable diseases. ECBT has also launched a comprehensive web based toolkit to accompany the report with many downloadable features for social media and specific vaccine preventable disease information good for educating families as well as other professionals or key decision makers in your organization that may seek a better understanding of the value of your immunization program. We have also added this toolkit to the links page of our Kansas Immunization Program website.

Another national educational partner we would like to highlight is UNITY. UNITY Consortium is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization that brings together diverse groups that share a common and passionate interest in adolescent and young adult health with a focus on prevention and immunization. Members represent public and private organizations, industry, academia, healthcare providers, retailers, and advocacy groups. UNITY provides tools to assist parents and youth to work together to begin the process of the teens and young adults taking ownership of their health over time in a responsible manner. UNITY sponsored the “Three C’s” study which is a quality improvement study designed with the goal of improving provider delivery of a confident, concise and consistent recommendation for routinely recommended vaccines to adolescents (11, 12, and 16 year olds).

A final resource we would like to share this week is from the Association of Immunization Managers (AIM). AIM is a member organization for state immunization programs which serves to bring together immunization programs and sharing of resources. One of the latest resources being made available is the AIM Adolescent Immunization Resource Guide. The resource guide offers a selection of activities and strategies to enhance and improve the delivery of vaccinations throughout adolescence, from middle school to college. Chapters in the resource guide will be released one at a time, and made available on the AIM website. We will notify you through What’s Happening Wednesday as the chapters are released. The first chapter, Reach Teens Via School Related Efforts has been released this week. The activities highlighted in this chapter relate to targeting teens in school: updating vaccine language on high school sports physical form, helping schools fulfill state recordkeeping and reporting requirements, and immunizing students in school-located clinics during school hours.

Phil Griffin
Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention

Mumps In Kansas – 79 Cases Reported in Multiple Counties
As of March 18, 2017, 79 mumps cases have been reported in Kansas throughout multiple counties in the state. The Kansas Department of Health and Environment and affected local health departments are working closely together to identify cases and implement appropriate isolation and exclusions policies to prevent further spread of mumps. Mumps cases have been reported in the following counties: Allen, Atchison, Barton, Crawford, Douglas, Ellis, Finney, Franklin, Johnson, Leavenworth, Marshall, Miami, Nemaha, Riley, Rooks, Thomas, Trego, and Wyandotte.

Mumps is a contagious disease caused by a virus and typically starts with a few days of fever, headache, muscle aches, tiredness and loss of appetite, followed by swollen salivary glands. Please be mindful of the signs and symptoms of mumps, have appropriate laboratory testing completed when indicated, and immediately report any suspicion of mumps to KDHE at 1-877-427-7317.

For updated case counts and more information about mumps, please visit: http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/mumps.htm.
The chart below shows the current percentage of the Kansas allocated influenza vaccine which has been delivered to the McKesson distribution center. Kansas Provider orders have and will continue to be filled according to the stock available to us through McKesson and based upon each provider's seasonal order.

At the current time, all vaccines have been received and are available to order.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Did you know that vaccine preventable errors can be avoided by taking time to review the “5 Rights of Medication Administration”.

Right patient – if vaccinating more than one patient during a visit (especially siblings), be sure to indicate which vaccines are for which child. Marking vaccine syringes or separating vaccines will prevent confusion and ultimately prevent vaccine administration errors.

Right vaccine – be sure to double and triple check the vaccines prior to administration. Many vaccines have similar names and packaging. Vaccines such as DTaP and TDaP may need to be separated in a vaccine storage unit to prevent confusion.

Right dose – pediatric and adult vaccine doses often have similar sounding names or have similar packaging. Make sure the vaccine is for the appropriate aged patient.

Right route – Does the vaccine need to be given SubQ or IM? Be sure you know the correct route the vaccine should be given prior to administration.

Right time – Immunizations are based on age but if a patient is behind, they are also based on time (or spacing). When was the previous dose administered and has it been long enough between this dose and the previous dose that this dose will be counted as valid? If there are questions regarding vaccine administration timing, refer to the 2017 Immunization Schedule for specific answers.

Vaccine preventable errors are just that… preventable. Errors are costly, and waste vaccine, but they will also cause your patients and/or parents to question your practice. Everyone is busy, but taking a few extra minutes to check and recheck prior to administration will prevent errors. No one wants to tell a child’s parents that the child will need to be revaccinated due to a preventable error.

### VFC Question of the Week-

**Q:** An MMRV (Proquad) was inadvertently given to an adolescent. Can this be counted as a valid dose of MMR and Varicella?

**A:** MMRV (Proquad) is a combination vaccine, containing MMR and Varicella. It is licensed for use in children aged 12 months through 12 years. If a child older than 12 years is inadvertently given an MMRV vaccine, the dose can be counted as valid for both the MMR and Varicella, but steps should be taken, such as educating staff, to prevent this error from reoccurring.

### Influenza Like Illness Surveillance – Activity Continues to Decrease

During the week ending March 18, 2017, influenza-like illness (ILI) activity continued to decrease in Kansas. ILI is defined as a fever ($\geq 100^\circ F$) and the presence of a cough and/or sore throat. ILINet sites reported 4.3% of visits were due to ILI, a decrease from the previous week of 4.5%. These sites are also asked to submit up to two specimens for testing at the Kansas Health and Environmental Laboratories (KHEL). These specimens help monitor what types of influenza are circulating in Kansas. KHEL has reported 127 positive influenza specimens (114 A/H3, 4 A/H1, 2 A (not subtyped), and 7 influenza B). Please remember outbreaks of any disease including influenza are reportable to KDHE. For more information on influenza surveillance, visit [http://www.kdheks.gov/flu/surveillance.htm](http://www.kdheks.gov/flu/surveillance.htm).

### Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Update -

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EPI UPDATE - Vaccine-Preventable Disease Surveillance Indicators

Monthly reports are published on the completeness and quality of specific surveillance indicators for vaccine-preventable diseases (VPDs) in Kansas. These indicators are based on the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Manual for the Surveillance of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases. Progress towards these goals is reported to CDC. Data used for these reports are from cases reported to the Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE). Each month, the completeness of measured indicators, timeliness for case acceptance, and the percentage of investigations that are completed on time are calculated and distributed to local health departments through the Epi Updates Newsletter. Improvements and lagging areas are highlighted in each report and the goal is to reach 90% or higher completion on all VPD indicators. Numbers for the month of February 2017 can be found in the March 2017 edition of the Epi Updates Newsletter (http://www.kdheks.gov/epi/epi_newsletter.htm).

CDC Vaccinating Adults Educational Series -

Get up-to-date information on Adult Immunization. A collaborative effort between the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Maryland’s adult immunization coalition and state immunization program, the Vaccinating Adults series will feature six presentations by experts in promoting, administering, and securing reimbursement for adult immunizations.

Registration information for part 1 of the series on March 29th by clicking here: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/ciinc/index.html

SAVE THE DATE

June 6-8, 2017

Door to Needle
Kansas Immunization Conference 2017
Salina Bicentennial Center
800 The Midway, Salina, Kansas

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Watch for pre-registration to open soon!!!
Aggregate Inventory Training—**Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.**
The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/659870511102500354

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Direct Entry Inventory Training— **Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.**
The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298

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New User Training— **Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.**
The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442

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School Module Training— **Third Friday at 9 a.m.**
The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Reports Training— **Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.**
The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! Please note: this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.
https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186

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**NOTE:** There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer michael.sims@ks.gov or 785-296-0687
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**Vaccine Redistribution**

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter “Redistribution” to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464  http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm

**REMINDERS:** Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.