

Immunization Advisory Committee  
Summary of Minutes  
March 5, 2008  
Michael A. Bilandic Building  
160 N. LaSalle St. Room N505  
Chicago, IL

Members Present:

Rashmi Chugh, M.D  
Margaret Saunders, M.S, RD  
Robert Daum, M.D  
Lorraine Schoenstadt, R.N., M.S  
Rita Rossi-Foulkes, M.D, F.A.A  
Kathy Swafford, M.D

Julie Morita, M.D  
Tina Tan, M.D  
Susanna Roberts, R.N, M.S.N  
Dennis Vickers M.D  
Ellen Wolff, R.N, M.P.H

Others in Attendance:

Jeannine Alanede Sanofi Pasteur  
Karen McMahan, IDPH  
John Bjerga GSK  
Mark Mlynarczyk, Medimmune  
Ann Chikahisa, GSK  
Madhu Nappi, IDPH

Mike Kimak, Wyeth  
Salaeha Shariff, II Chapter AAP  
Kevin Knots, Wyeth  
Lynnae Veldhuizen, Sanofi Pasteur  
Janet Larson, IDPH  
Tina, Freeborn and Peters

1. Welcome and Introductions

- Dr. Daum called the meeting to order and asked for introductions of the committee.

2. Old Business and approval of Minutes

- Dr. Daum asked the committee if they accepted the minutes. Margaret Saunders stated that Penny Roth had attended the last meeting. Dr. Daum indicated that the minutes can be changed to reflect that and asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Susanna Roberts made the motion and Kathy Swafford seconded the motion. (After checking Penny Roth had **not** attended the previous meeting) Minutes approved as originally written.

3. New Business

A. Legislative & Rule update

Karen McMahan indicated that a copy of House Bill 5717 as introduced this session was included in the meeting's packet. A synopsis of the bill is as follows:

any child that received a health examination prior to entering 5<sup>th</sup> grade for the 2007-2008 school year will not have to receive a health exam for the 2008-2009 school year unless entering school for the first time. The Illinois Department of Public Health has drafted language for an emergency rule that will address this issue and eliminate the need for further action on this bill. Dr. Daum inquired how the emergency rule interfaces with the introduced legislation. Karen McMahon explained that the emergency rule is in effect for 150 days while the permanent rule is being filed and approved. IDPH will have incorporate all emergency language into final rules. The filing of the emergency rule has been delayed due to the finalization and adoption of the revised Communicable Disease code ( 77 Ill.Adm.Code 690) which has been a priority project within the Department.

Discussion followed regarding current immunization requirements and the position of the committee to align the requirements with current ACIP recommendations. Karen McMahon indicated that the rules currently reflect one dose of Varicella vaccine but the ACIP now recommends two doses of Varicella vaccine. The rules also reflect one dose of Mumps vaccine but the ACIP recommends two doses. We know that MMR has been used routinely but again, the rules at this time only require one dose of Measles vaccine. In order to align the rules/school and/or day care requirements with ACIP recommendations and current medical practice standards, both the Child Health Examination code and College Immunization code would need to be amended. Lorraine Schoenstadt indicated it was important to change the code because there is confusion between recommended and required vaccines. Julie Morita proposed that the committee advise the department to modify the existing mumps and Varicella rules to reflect the ACIP recommendations for two doses of mumps and two doses of Varicella. Tina Tan seconded the motion. Dr. Chugh wanted to add the words school entry into the motion. The advisory committee did not have a problem with adding the words into the motion and Dr. Chugh volunteered to amend the motion by inserting those words. Ellen Wolff seconded the motion.

Further discussion occurred regarding the emergency rules. Margaret Saunders inquired what language was included in the emergency rules. Karen McMahon indicated that the following issues were addressed: Prevnar (pneumococcal) vaccine requirement that affects both day care facilities and preschools, language to reflect routine usage of Tdap instead of Td vaccine and the legislative change moving the 5<sup>th</sup> grade physical examination to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Karen McMahon indicated that once the emergency rules get filed she would send them out to everyone.

In keeping with discussion related to rules and consistency with ACIP and standard practice, Dr. Daum suggested that the agenda for the Immunization Advisory Committee meetings follow the results or proceedings of the most current ACIP meetings.

B. ACIP update: presented by Dr. Julie Morita (please see attached power pt. presentation)

C. Surveillance of Vaccine Preventable Diseases: presented by Kae Hunt, IDPH Surveillance Administrator/Immunization Section (please see attached power point presentation)

D. Future topics for Advisory Committee meetings

Janet Larson asked if the committee had any future topics for upcoming advisory committee meetings. Dr. Daum indicated that he would like to hear more on the meningococcal and Pneumococcal disease surveillance. Karen McMahon indicated that the information fell under the Communicable Disease section and we could have someone speak on that topic. Dr. Daum also indicated that he would like to see a discussion on the birth dose of Hepatitis B vaccine and perinatal immunization progress and implementation. Dr. Daum indicated that he was reviewing a document that IDPH is involved with as well as the Illinois Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics. Julie Morita indicated that it would be good to have an update of ICARE. Rashmi Chugh suggested that the committee revisit policies for health care workers.

4. Future dates for 2008 meetings July 16 and October 8, 2008

5. Adjourn

- Dr. Daum declared the meeting adjourned.