

Immunization Advisory Committee
Michael A. Bilandic Bldg. Room N502
IMMUNIZATION ADVISORY MEETING
160 North LaSalle Chicago
July 18, 2012
10:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Summary of Minutes

Members present:

Rashmi Chugh, MD
Robert Daum, MD
Linda Gibbons, RN, MSN ILCSN
Lisa Kritz, MSW, MBA

Julie Morita, MD
Karen Pfaff, RN, MSN, ILCSN IASN
Anita Chandra-Puri, MD
Lorraine Schoenstadt, MS, RN, BC

Others present

Stephanie Bilenko, IVAC
Amy Boynton, St. Charles CUSD 303
Jan Daniels, IDPH
Carrie Gallagher, GSK
Lynnae Godsell, Sanofi
Vyki Jackson, IDHS/School Health (presenter)
Michael Kimak, Pfizer
Karyn Lyons, Lake CHD
Monica Mayer, Merck/Public Policy

Madhu Nappi, IDPH
Neel Patel, Novartis Vaccines
Debra Phillips, RL Canning/
Cornerstone (presenter)
LaShon Reese (for Penny Roth) IDHS
Jeannine Solinski, ICAAP
Dr. Ken Soyemi, IDPH
Mindy White, GSK
Anne Wong, ICAAP

1. Welcome and introduction

Dr. Robert Daum called the meeting to order, and requested all members to introduce themselves and identify their association, and then requested all audience members to introduce and identify their associations as well.

2. Old Business and approval of minutes

Approval of the meeting minutes from the March 21, 2012 meeting was not actionable due to lack of quorum at that scheduled meeting. Quorum for the advisory committee requires a presence of at least 9 members; only 8 members attended.

Jan Daniels, IDPH, updated the committee on media initiatives to address the new Tdap requirement for the 2012-2013 school year. Ms. Daniels shared media materials from IDPH and materials used by the Chicago Public Schools. Dr. Soyemi, from IDPH was called on to discuss the materials that were developed to remind both parents and providers about the upcoming Tdap requirement.

Discussion continued on the proposed changes to the immunization rules. Jan Daniels informed the committee of the status with the State Board of Health hearings. The proposed changes include a second dose mumps and rubella requirement for all grades (kindergarten through 12th grade), a second dose of varicella for students entering kindergarten, sixth and ninth grades (this requirement will be progressive until all grades are covered) and age appropriate series of pneumococcal conjugate vaccine for those attending childcare centers, preschool and early childhood programs. Finally, to align with sixth grade physical examination requirements, the proof of hepatitis B vaccine will be required upon sixth grade entry.

Also a discussion was made in regards to mixed messages being sent when new requirements are approved. Dr. Morita suggested that the ISBE should wait sending out notices to schools about new (amended) requirements until the new requirements are vetted with everyone (i.e. Tdap) and that ISBE or IDPH delay enforcement of the rules to give people time. No decision was reached.

Regarding other routinely recommended adolescent vaccines, Dr. Morita would like a discussion about appropriateness and timing of MCV and HPV for consideration for requirement for school entry, especially MCV. Lisa Kritz added that at the very minimum, information about the other ACIP recommended adolescent immunizations should go out to schools and parents in the outreach communications.

3. New Business

Jan Daniels gave an update on the status of Senate Bill 3513, which allows pharmacists to vaccinate patients 10 years of age and older for Tdap and influenza. The committee sought clarification whether this bill requires the patient to present an actual prescription from their physician or if the pharmacy's standing order physician be able to cover this.

Lorraine Schoenstadt inquired if a pharmacist, who would be representing their association, would be present and able to answer questions about pharmacies immunizations operations for the November 7, 2012 meeting. Ms. Schoenstadt also asked if there was an opening on the committee to invite a pharmacist to be a member of the committee.

Debra Phillips from R.L. Canning-Cornerstone presented information regarding Cornerstone. Many questions pertained to the sharing of data between Cornerstone and I-CARE. Several of the committee members inquired about the status of allowing school nurses to update the immunization histories of their students in I-CARE, since they are looking up into I-CARE now and they may have additional documented immunization data scripts from doctors giving updated immunizations but not entered into I-CARE.

Vyki Jackson from School Health/DHS also spoke at the meeting. She also offered her listserv of statewide school nurses to help disseminate important immunization information to schools.

4. Open Comments: None

5. Future topics: Update and clarify pharmacist operations related to SB3513, address additional adolescent vaccines being required for school attendance, allow representative from a pharmacist to answer questions, ensure attendance by representatives from both Cornerstone and I-CARE for questions, examine HCW immunization coverage levels, analysis of information on medical and religious exemptions.

6. Adjourn: Dr. Daum adjourned the meeting; next meeting is November 7, 2012.
Proceedings concluded at 12:13p.m.