

**The meeting of the State of Illinois Department of Public Health, Immunization Advisory Committee, was held on March 7, 2013 10:00 a.m. Michael A. Bilandic Building, 17 Room N502, 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

ROBERT S. DAUM, MD - Chairman  
RASHI CHUGH, MD  
MALINDA HILLMAN, RN, BSN, CPHA  
LISA KRITZ, MSW, MBA  
JULIE MORITA, MD  
JULIE A. PRYDE, MSW, LSW, CPHA  
RITA ROSSI-FOULKES, MD, FAAP  
MARGARET SAUNDERS, MS. RD.  
LORRAINE SCHOENSTADT, MS. RN  
KATHY SWAFFORD, MD.  
TERI NICHOLSON  
CHRIS SCHRIEVER  
LINDA GIBBONS, RN, MSM  
VICKIE JACKSON  
JESSICA GERDES, RN  
ANITA CHANDRA-PURI, MD.

**ALSO PRESENT:**

ROBIN HOLDINGS  
BILL MORAN  
LINDA KASBIER  
RITA ROSSI Foulkes

Minutes to previous meeting approved.

1. Influenza 2013-14: IDPH looking for guidance on flu purchases for VFC program now that quadrivalent vaccine is available. One trivalent vaccine will cover kids starting at 6 months of age. Quad vaccines start at 3 years of age. Committee discussed the various influenza vaccines available and the need for a PR push for vaccinations.
2. Ms. Swafford attended a Vaccinology course in Chicago, and they said VFC is not covering the HPV vaccines in males. Mr. Moran said the vaccine was covered under VFC.
3. Ms. Swafford stated that she gets good coverage in her patients by providing only 2 doses of vaccines each time a patent comes in.
4. Mr. Moran stated we could initially start with at-risk males by collaborating with youth centers. Message should be all males and all females. Focus on all 11 and 12 year olds. Ms. Pryde stated to make sure that HPV vaccine is covered by Medicaid and insurance companies. This is a cancer preventing vaccine should be stressed with marketing campaigns. Try to use social media with this group. Ms. Kritz stated that this vaccine should be for all teens, boy or girl.
5. Ms. Solinski, ICAAP, stated that the academy had a recent webinar on HPV and is recorded an on their website.
6. Ms. Chandra had issues of deferring vaccine to accommodate HPV vaccine. How do you decide which vaccine to defer?

7. Discussion on how to approach HPV education in schools.
8. Dr. Daum stated he would like to see vaccine manufacturer's conduct studies in 2, 4, 6 month ages. Compared the approach to Hepatitis B vaccine.
9. Vaccine consent forms still considered a barrier due to the low return rate.
10. Mr. Moran stated that summarized current exemptions in Illinois. Ms. Jackson would support a form letter IF, that letter included a clear description of the risks of not immunizing.
11. Dr Daum suggested a committee to address vaccine exemptions; current data needs to be analyzed, etc. Volunteers for the committee were: Ms. Gibbons and at least 2 other members. Names were not captured by the stenographer.
12. Ms. Kasebier gave an overview of the VFC program, and mentioned that the administration fee for the VFC program went up to \$23.87 on January 1, 2013. IDPH website is updated with current VFC forms.
13. Ms. Nicholson gave an update on the ICARE Registry. Training videos are now online for review at any time. A checklist must be completed before you can go live and place vaccine orders. If you are not registered in ICARE your vaccine order may be suspended. There are 1,257 VFC providers in ICARE Of that, only 116 are set to go live with vaccine ordering. Of the 116 on 93 are placing orders.
14. Mr. Moran introduced SB1217, allowing dentists to provide vaccines. Mixed comments on the bill. Dr. Morita said she could see a role in emergency situations, like pandemic flu. ICAAP opposed the bill on various points, including storage of vaccine, training, tracking shots, etc.
15. Voted on meningococcal bill, would like at least a 6 month notice before enforcement. Vote supported bill.
16. Ms. Kritz informed the committee of a movement by IPHA concerning mandated reporting in ICARE.
17. Dr. Chugh asked about SB1610 requiring all IDPH licensed facilities to mandate flu vaccinations. Asked to consider a phased-in approach.
18. Dr. Morita talked about plans for National Immunization week in April. The focus will be on pertussis.
19. Dr Maniotis talked about Vaccinology and Biomedical Exemptions.

Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm.