

NAIS Access and Collaborations Working Group

**2014 Summit Update
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Agenda: Access and Collaborations Working Group

- Introduction and activities from 2013-14 – Mitch Rothholz, APhA
- Where are we regarding IIS for adult vaccinations? Gary Urquhart, CDC
- IIS project John Billington and Trini Mathew, IDSA
- Implementation of routine assessment in pharmacy setting – Jason Rubin, Walgreens
- Plans for 2014-15 regarding implementation and evaluation of Standards – Mitch Rothholz, APhA



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- Lynch, Brian, Becton Dickinson
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Opening Polling Question

How familiar are you with the Adult Immunization Practice Standards?

1. I've heard of them, but know little about them.
2. I have read them, but have not acted on them.
3. I have read them and am working on implementing them with my organization, practice, or members.
4. I have no ideas what the standards are.



Feedback / Priorities From End of 2013 NAIS

- Update the Standards for Adult Immunization Practice – top priority
- Increase documentation of adult immunizations in IIS
 - Serve multiple purposes
 - Ensure patients get the right vaccines at the right time
 - Increase connectivity/communications between different providers in the immunization neighborhood
 - Supports potential for measures of performance/uptake
 - Increases readiness for influenza pandemic preparedness where
 - 2 doses may be required for all ages and
 - Health departments may require any pandemic vaccine provider to enter doses administered into IIS



Feedback / Priorities From End of 2013 NAIS

- Develop or identify existing tools for providers to help with billing
 - Deferred this activity to the Provider WG
- Remove in-network provider barriers
 - CDC-funded cooperative agreements aided state immunization programs in this regard with national meeting attended by many stakeholders including payers, insurers, ASTHO, NACCHO, health departments and others



National Adult Immunization Practice Standards



- Provider Calls to Action:
 - **Assess** immunization status of all patients in every clinical encounter.
 - Strongly **recommend** vaccines that patients need.
 - **Administer** needed vaccines or **Refer** to a provider who can immunize.
 - **Document** vaccines received by patients, including entering immunizations into immunization registries.

Ref: Public Health Reports / March–April 2014 / Volume 129

Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Standards of Adult Immunization Practice
 - Draft developed by WG in summer of 2013 and provided to NVAC September 2013
 - Extensive input from multiple sectors
 - Published in Public Health Reports February 20, 2014
 - Calls to action for all providers regardless of whether they provide vaccines or not



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Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Standards of Adult Immunization Practice, con't
 - Professional health-care-related organizations/associations/health-care systems
 - Provide immunization education and training of members, including trainees.
 - Provide resources and assistance to implement protocols and other systems to incorporate vaccine needs assessment and vaccination or referral into routine practice.
 - Encourage members and their employees to be up-to-date on their own immunizations.
 - Partner with other immunization stakeholders to educate the public.
 - Seek out collaboration opportunities with other immunization stakeholders.
 - Collect and share best practices for immunization.
 - Advocate policies that support adult immunization standards.
 - Insurers and payers should assure their network is adequate to provide timely immunization access and augment with additional vaccine providers if necessary.



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Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Standards of Adult Immunization Practice, con't
 - Public Health Departments – ensure policies and processes to:
 - Determine community needs, vaccination capacity, and barriers to adult immunization.
 - Provide access to all ACIP-recommended vaccinations for insured and uninsured adults and work toward becoming an in-network provider for immunization services for insured adults.
 - Partner with immunization stakeholders and support activities and policies to improve awareness of adult vaccine recommendations, increase vaccination rates, and reduce barriers.
 - Ensure professional competencies in immunizations.
 - Routinely collect, analyze, and disseminate immunization coverage data.
 - Provide outreach and education to providers and the public.
 - Work to decrease disparities in immunization coverage and access.
 - Increase immunization registry access and use by adult vaccine providers.
 - Develop capacity to bill for immunization of insured people.
 - Ensure preparedness for identifying and responding to outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases.
 - Promote adherence to applicable laws, regulations, and standards among adult immunization stakeholders.

Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Roll out of Adult Immunization Practice Standard
 - Gained formal support from Summit Organizing Committee Members
 - American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
 - American Academy of Physician Assistants (AAPA)
 - American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)
 - American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG)
 - American College of Physicians (ACP)
 - American Pharmacists Association (APhA)
 - Association of Immunization Managers (AIM)
 - Association of State & Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO)
 - Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
 - Immunization Action Coalition (IAC)
 - Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA)
 - National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO)
 - National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID)



Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Roll out of Standards, continued
 - New standards page on www.izsummitpartners.org/adult-immunizations-standards
 - Includes list of activities of Standards supporting organizations and actions they have taken, including
 - Webinars and incorporation into training materials
 - Incorporation into newsletters and other communications to members
 - Promotion through social media
 - New suite of materials on Standards implementation on CDC website at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/patient-ed/adults/for-practice/standards.html>.
 - National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) led a twitter chat about the Standards on the day of publication – Feb 20, 2014



Access and Collaborations Working Group 2013-14 Activities

- Continued collaborations with Healthmap.org vaccine locator

- Worked to increase documentation of adult vaccinations in immunization information systems (IIS)
 - Led to IDSA-led Access WG project to better understand potential barriers to adult provider access and use of IIS
 - CDC also working to expand adult providers enrolled in IIS.
 - Six sentinel IIS site for pandemic preparedness (OR, MN, WI, ND, NYC, MI)
 - 10 state or city health departments funded to improve adult vaccination infrastructure (Chicago, WA, OR, UT, CT, MA, VA, IA, AR, MN)

- CPT code for adult vaccine counseling
 - Proposal submitted in 2013, but withdrawn
 - Additional discussion with provider groups needed about potential pros and cons of a CPT code for vaccine counseling