Updates from NAIIS
Influenza Working Group

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Who We Are

- The Summit’s Influenza Working Group was relaunched in 2015
- We are a diverse multi-sectoral partnership that strives to improve influenza vaccination coverage rates and adult vaccination best practices through systems-level approaches
- The Working Group operationalizes these goals by:
  - promoting healthcare personnel vaccination
  - creating tools that encourage safe vaccine administration
  - and developing resources that encourage more providers to vaccinate
Overview

1. Objectives and accomplishments during 2018-2019

2. Discuss ways to engage new partners and expand existing partnerships with non-healthcare workplaces

3. Goals for 2019-2020

OBJECTIVE 1:
Development of resources and partnerships to improve influenza vaccination coverage of HCP in post-acute and long-term care facilities (LTCFs)

- Finalized and posted: Guidance for Leaders/Administrators in Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Facilities Who Plan to Improve Staff Influenza Vaccination Compliance through Vaccination Requirement Policies
- Coordinated release with AMDA’s updated policy
2018- 2019 Accomplishments: **Stakeholder Meeting**

Held a meeting with post-acute and LTCF executives and stakeholders on Oct 2, 2018 to discuss increasing influenza vaccination rates of HCP in LTCFs.

2018- 2019 Accomplishments: **Checklist**

Created a complementary 1-page checklist:

**Step-By-Step Process to Creating, Implementing, and Evaluating an Employee Influenza Vaccination Policy in a Long-Term Care Facility (LTCF)**
2018-2019 Accomplishments: FAQs

Developed an FAQ:

**Frequently Asked Questions about the Guidance for Leaders/Administrators in Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Facilities Who Plan to Improve Staff Influenza Vaccination Compliance through Vaccination Requirement Policies**

2018-2019 Accomplishments: Honor Roll

Coordinated with IAC and AMDA (the Society for Post-Acute and Long-Term Care Medicine) on the development of an HONOR ROLL specifically for LTC/Assisted Living Facilities that have influenza vaccination requirements for HCP

http://www.immunize.org/honor-roll/influenza-mandates/ltc.asp
2018-2019 Accomplishments: Landing Page

Developed a landing page for all of these resources:
https://www.izsummitpartners.org/nais-workgroups/influenza-workgroup/tools-for-ltcf/

OBJECTIVE 2:
Development of a Speakers Bureau
2018-2019 Accomplishments: **Speakers Bureau**

Developed and posted 3 slide sets that can be used by anyone that explain the resources we have developed in detail to a broader audience:

https://www.izsummitpartners.org/speakers-bureau-resources/

**OBJECTIVE 3:**

Continue to promote (and improve) the “Checklist of Best Practices for Satellite, Temporary, and Off-Site Vaccination Clinics” and accompanying resources

- Updated current documents based on feedback from WG members
- Continued to promote resources in national and international presentations and among membership

Recognize organizations that have taken The Pledge

Organizations Pledging Support to Adhere to CDC Guidelines and Best Practices When Implementing Vaccination Clinics at Satellite, Temporary, or Off-site Locations

Each organization listed below has formally pledged to follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines and best practices for vaccine shipment, transport, storage, handling, preparation, administration, and documentation when implementing vaccination clinics at satellite, temporary, or off-site locations. These guidelines and best practices are essential for patient safety and vaccine effectiveness.

Organizations That Have Taken The Pledge

2018–2019 influenza season
- CDC Occupational Health Clinic
- OccuMed Health & Wellness, LLC
- Passport Health

2017–2018 influenza season
- Corporate Wellness, Inc.
- Passport Health
- Promerica Health

https://www.izsummitpartners.org/naiv-workgroup/influenza-workgroup-supporting-org-partners/
OBJECTIVE 4:
Partner with organizations to improve influenza vaccination rates in non-healthcare workplaces

2018–2019 Accomplishments:
CDC’s Business Health Executive Call

Presented to CDC’s Business Health Executive Group:
45 leaders representing 20 multinational businesses (including Fortune 500 companies), which have >1.1 million employees, and represent $3.3 Billion in annual revenue, attended the call
2018- 2019 Accomplishments: 
American Lung Association

Partnered with American Lung Association on their “MyShot” campaign to increase flu vaccination in people aged ≥50 years and people with chronic medical conditions:
- Working with them on a video vignette for post-acute/LTCFs and for non-healthcare workplaces
- Collaborating on other resources for these settings

2018- 2019 Accomplishments: Million Hearts

Partnered with Million Hearts:
- They will amplify messages related to the importance of flu vaccinations for people with cardiovascular disease
2018-2019 Accomplishments:
American Heart Association

Reached out to American Heart Association:

- The AHA Workplace Health Steering Committee is overseeing a systematic literature review of the science informing the Workplace Health Achievement Index, including adding new questions.
- Flu vaccination clinics in the workplace will be an item for consideration on the updated Index.
- The estimated timeline for the review is 12 months and Index 2.0 is currently slated for a 2021 release: https://www.heart.org/en/professional/workplace-health/workplace-health-achievement-index/workplace-health-achievement-recognitions

How Can We Engage New Partners and Expand Existing Partnerships?

- Partner with American Association of Diabetes Educators
- Partner with national sports leagues/teams (or minor leagues)
- Other organizations/contacts that would be willing to promote flu vaccinations that either target high-risk groups or have a lot of influence?
2019-2020 Goals

1. Continue improving and promoting our existing resources for temporary vaccination clinics and post-acute/LTCFs

2. Expand partnerships with non-healthcare workplaces to increase influenza vaccination coverage in these settings

3. Other goals?
Looking Forward: Ideas for Future Projects

- According to the US Bureau of Labor and Statistics, in 2016, “state and local government” is the second largest employment category (projected to be surpassed by “health and social assistance” in 2026)

- “Educational Services” although a comparatively smaller industry, is representative of employees in communities across the US

- “Retail trade”, “leisure and hospitality”, and “manufacturing” are the three next largest industry sectors


How to Become Involved:

Email: dez8@cdc.gov
Thank you to our many working group members!