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ADULT IMMUNIZATION EFFORTS IN PENNSYLVANIA

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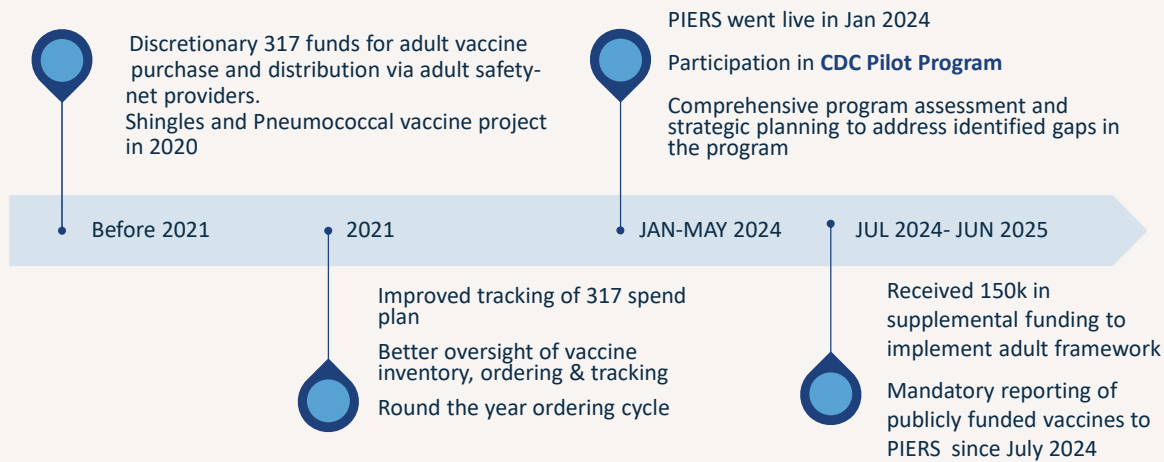
Pennsylvania Adult Immunization Program

Vision of Pennsylvania Department of Health
(PADOH) - **A healthy Pennsylvania for all.**

- The Adult Immunization Program at Bureau of Immunizations partners with providers, community-based organizations, local health departments, hospital systems, academia, and others to improve adult immunization uptake, increase vaccine confidence, and reduce morbidity and mortality associated with vaccine-preventable diseases.



Adult Immunization Framework



Adult Provider Network

Total 176 Providers

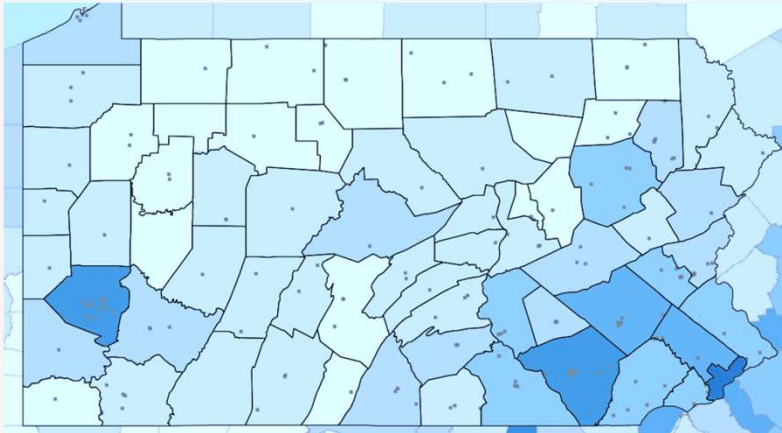
- 87 Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- 9 Rural Health Centers (RHCs)
- 13 County and Municipal Health Departments (CMHDs)
- 52 State Health Centers (SHCs)
- 9 Primary Health Clinics (PHCs)
- 6 Youth and Student Health Centers

- Sites must be enrolled in the VFC program and provide service to adult population.
- Annual coverage gap assessment to ensure that each county in PA has at least one 317 vaccine provider, and that there is a proportionate allocation of vaccines based on needs of under/uninsured adults.



317 Providers

Distribution of 317 providers across PA



Counties in darker shades have higher number of uninsured adults.

Source : American Community Survey 2023



Maximizing Impact With Limited \$\$

Only 40% of total adult vaccine demand from 317 providers is met by currently allocated Section 317 funds.



Population served: Uninsured and underinsured adults through 317 funding.



All but a few routinely recommended adult vaccines available to order

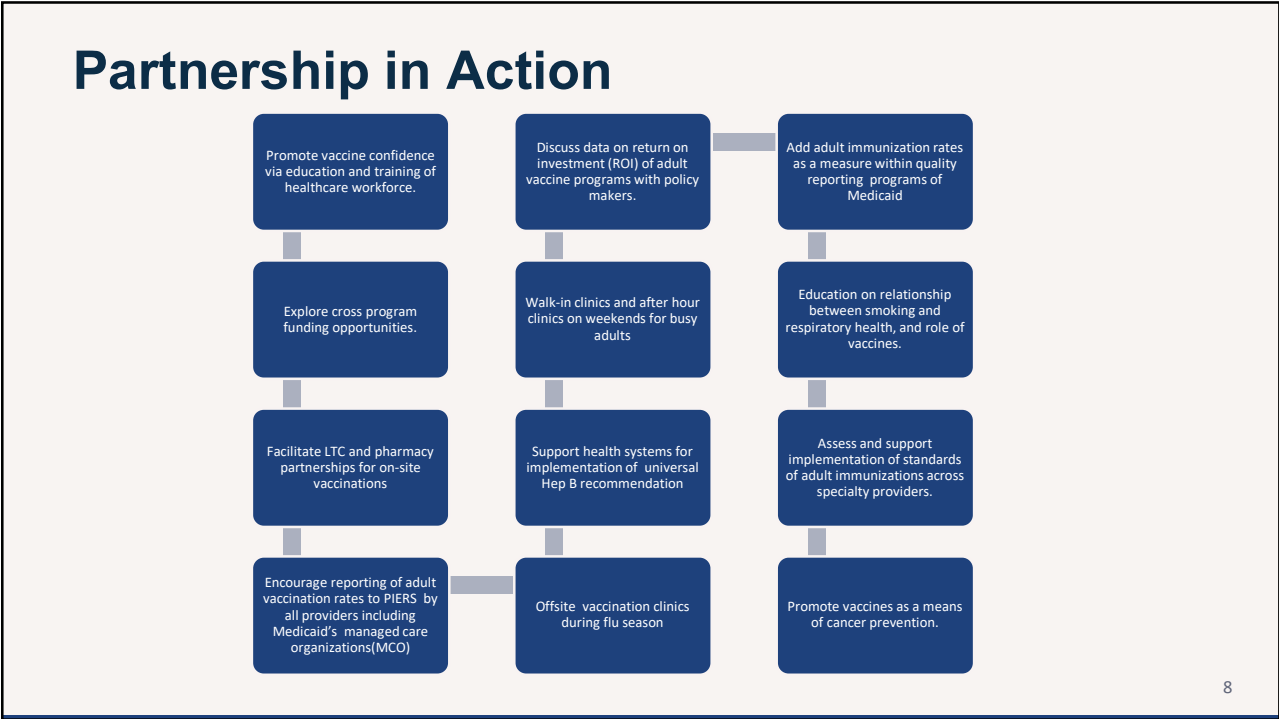
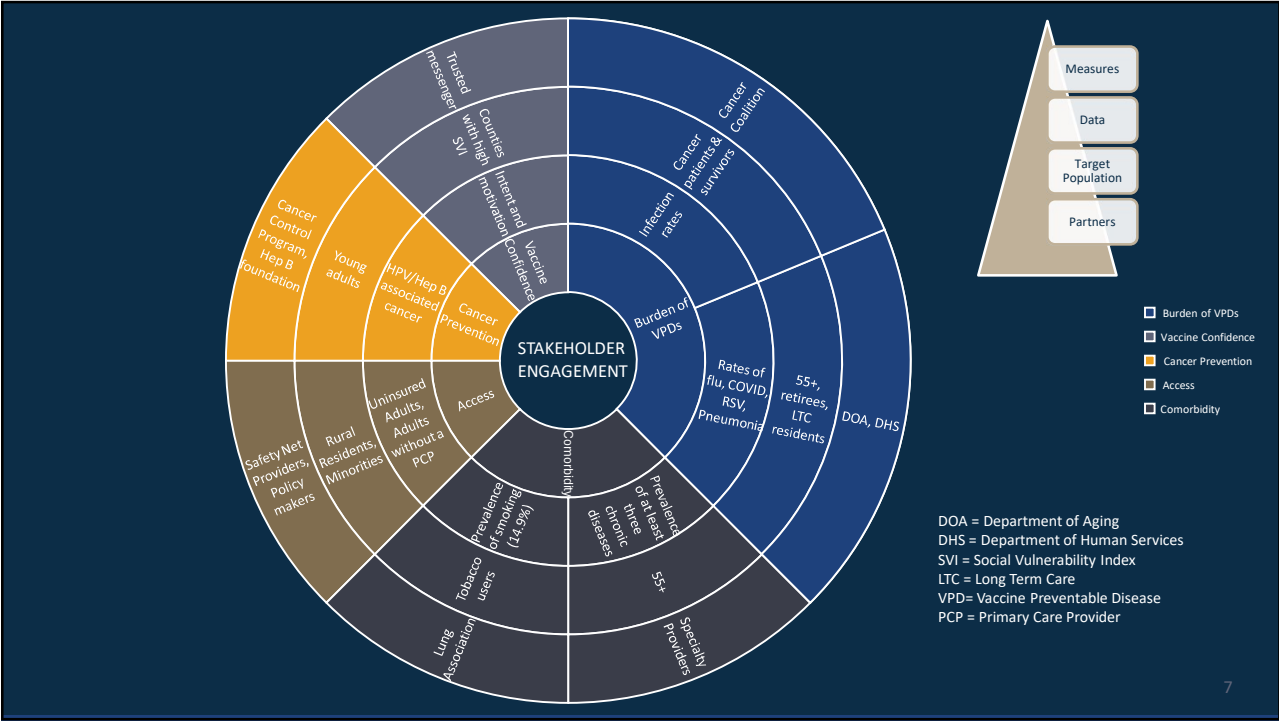


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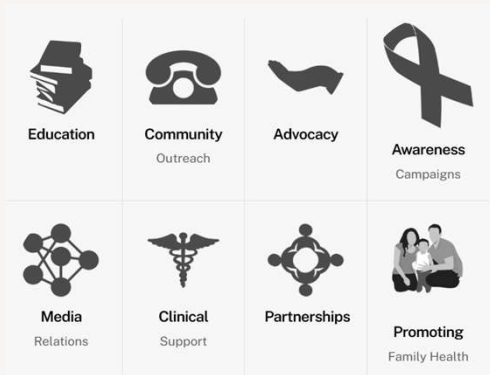


Bidirectional borrowing of vaccines is not allowed.





Pennsylvania Immunization Coalition (PAIC)



PAIC collaborates with its members (local immunization coalitions) and their organizations to advocate for policies related to immunizations across the lifespan.

In 2024-2025 season, PAIC partnered with Families Fighting Flu to launch a campaign **#Itcanhappentoanybody** to promote awareness and increase uptake of flu vaccines.



Conclusion

Challenges	Limited funding
	Increased cost of vaccines
	Increase in number of adult vaccines recommended by ACIP
	Waning vaccine confidence
	Vaccine hesitancy
Opportunities	Health disparities
	Supportive leadership
	Program infrastructure
	Strong state coalition
	Provider network has capacity to vaccinate more people
	Diverse partners
	Upgraded IIS with better functionality



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