Best Practices in Adult Immunization Council (BPAIC) Adult Immunization Best Practices Council (AIBPC)

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Background

- First calls began in early April with the National Adult and Influenza Immunization Summit Organizing Committee (SOC) comprising the 12 major clinical professional organizations
 - Primary (and still an important) objective was to allow harmonization of information between the professional organizations
 - Other organizations were added from April into July
 - As important partners are identified, they are also invited to participate
- Contingency Planning for evidence-based best practices in immunization was initiated mid April 2025

Organizations Participating, Observing

Alliance of Community Health Plans	ACHP
American Academy of Family Physicians	AAFP
American Academy of Hospice and Palliative Medicine	AAHPM
American Academy of Pediatrics	AAP
American Academy of Physician Associates	AAPA
American Association of Nurse Practitioners	AANP
American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists	ACOG
American College of Physicians	ACP
American Geriatric Society	AGS
American Medical Association	AMA
American Medical Group Association	AMGA
American Nurses Association	ANA
American Pharmacists Association	APhA
America's Health Insurance Plans	AHIP
Association for Professionals in Infection Control and Epidemiology	APIC
Association of Immunization Managers	AIM
Association of State and Territorial Health Officials	ASTHO
Blue Cross Blue Shield California	BCBS CA
Blue Cross Blue Shield Association	BCBSA
Gerontological Society of America	GSA
Infectious Diseases Society of America	IDSA
Kaiser Permanente	KP
National Association of County and City Health Official	NACCHO
National Foundation for Infectious Diseases	NFID
National Hispanic Medical Association	NHMA
National Medical Association	NMA
PaltMed	PaltMed
Pediatric Infectious Diseases Society of America	PIDS
Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America	SHEA

The Council

- After consideration of three different options, the organizations agreed:
 - The Summit would initiate an independent scientific council to validate or provide evidence-based best practices in immunization
 - Members of this Council would be nominated by the participating organizations of the Summit group initiated in April 2025
 - Nominating organizations would vet their nominees for conflict of interest (and disclosures) and expertise in immunization decision-making
 - The Summit would provide a second level of due diligence with regards to COI and expertise.
 - All nominating organizations would vote on the final 11 members of the Council
- Summit cannot sustain the Council and is actively looking for an organizational home for the Council once it is established

First project

 The first project of the Council would be to look at the Adult Immunization Schedule (risk- and age-based) and provide validation of the schedule as an immunization best practice.

Payer participation

- Alliance of Community Health Plans, America's Health Insurance Plans, and the Blue Cross Blue Shield Association are all aware of this effort and are observers to the process
- The National Alliance of Healthcare Purchaser Coalitions is also aware of this work and will be briefed at their next quarterly meeting
 - Covers about 90M employed lives

Streams of Work

- Currently, at least 3 parallel, independent yet collaborative, streams of work are ongoing
 - None are to replace the ACIP, or serve as an alternative ACIP
 - Coordination and collaboration is essential to avoid provider confusion
- Vaccination Evidence-based Review Council (VERC)
 - Initial focus on adult immunization schedule
 - Process: Nominated panel of 11 members who are independent experts in evidence-based decision-making and immunization clinical practice
- Vaccine Integrity Project (VIP)
 - Initial Focus on fall immunization recommendations
 - Process: Development of an evidence resource for COVID, influenza, and RSV, for use by medical organizations to develop their fall recommendations
- American Academy of Pediatrics
 - 90+ year history of **pediatric schedule** development