



IMMUNIZATION COALITION OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY

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A community-based, county-wide immunization coalition for Los Angeles County

MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS

Working together to protect Los Angeles County against vaccine-preventable diseases since 1997

Arroyo Vista Family Health Centers
Blue Cross of California
Buddhist Tzu-Chi Free Clinic
CA Coalition for Childhood Immunizations (C3I)
California Hospital Medical Center
California Dept. of Health Services, Immunization Branch
Charles Drew Headstart
Charles Drew Univ. of Medicine & Science
Childrens Hospital Los Angeles
Clinic Msr. Oscar A. Romero
Community Health Councils Project
Dept. of Children & Family Services
Esperanza Community Housing Corporation
Family Health Care Centers of Greater Los Angeles
Health Net
GBBB Black Infant Health
GlaxoSmithKline Vaccines
Headstart Vista
Immunize LA Kids
Kaiser Permanente
Kiwans International
L.A. Care Health Plan
LAC+USC Healthcare Network
L.B. Dept. of Health and Human Services
Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE)
Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD)
Los Angeles County Immunization Program
Los Angeles County Sexually Transmitted Disease Program
Los Angeles-Orange Immunization Network (LINK)
MedImmune, Inc.
Merck Vaccine Division
Northeast Valley Health Corporation
Orange County Immunization Coalition (OCIC)
Pasadena Immunization Coalition
Public Health Foundation Enterprises-WIC
Sanofi Pasteur
South Los Angeles Immunization Project
REI WIC
South Central Family Health Center
UCLA Dept. of Family Medicine
Watts Health Care Corporation
Wyeth Vaccines

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Dear Immunization Stakeholder:

As of July 1, 2007, JCAHO is requiring hospitals to annually offer onsite influenza vaccinations for staff and independent practitioners, evaluate vaccination rates, and to monitor reasons for non-participation in the organization's immunization program, and to implement enhancements to increase participation. Similarly, as of July 1, 2007, Health and Safety Code, Section 1288.7 (from Senate Bill 739) mandates that all general acute care hospitals offer their employees onsite flu vaccinations at no cost, and if the employee elects not to be vaccinated, to decline that vaccination in writing.

Health Care Worker Immunization Toolkit

To assist your hospital and/or clinic to increase employee influenza immunizations among health care workers and to monitor coverage rates, the Immunization Coalition of Los Angeles County (ICLAC) is pleased to make available an online version of its ICLAC Health Care Worker toolkit at <http://www.lapublichealth.org/ip/ICLAC/toolkits.htm>. The materials in the toolkit can be used to prepare for annual employee influenza immunization campaigns. The toolkit contains ready-made template letters to employees reminding them about receiving their annual influenza immunizations, vaccination and declination rosters, sample declination forms (as recommended by the State of California), reproducible educational flyers, talking points for managers to respond to employees' concerns about influenza vaccination, as well as immunization website resources.

Should you need additional information about the toolkit components or want a hard copy version of the kit, please contact Wendy Berger, Immunization Coalition Coordinator at (213) 351-7499.

Sincerely,

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Chair

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