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Please join us in celebrating National Infant Immunization Week, April 27- May 4, 2019 and Toddler Immunization Month in May. This is an excellent opportunity to alert families of infants and toddlers that they should schedule a doctor visit and get immunized against dangerous diseases like measles.

As you may know, the number of measles cases is rising in California and the US. Measles remains widespread in many parts of the world, including Europe, the Philippines and other parts of Asia.

The best protection against measles is vaccination. Measles vaccinations are routinely recommended at 12 months of age and again at 4-6 years of age.

Vaccination is also recommended before any international travel for

- Infants 6 months through 11 months of age (1 dose)
- Adolescents and adults who have not had measles or been vaccinated (2 doses at least 28 days apart)

Providers play a critical role in protecting children from vaccine-preventable diseases by making sure they are vaccinated on time. For measles resources, visit the CDPH measles page.

To aid with promoting the importance of protecting children from serious disease through on-time vaccination CDC developed a video series, “How Vaccines Work.” It is a great resource for answering common vaccine questions. You can watch the full series here. You can find more NIIW resources by visiting CDC’s NIIW digital toolkit.

Thank you for protecting our children against vaccine-preventable diseases!