

TO: EZIZ Users
FROM: CDPH
SUBJECT: Register Today -August 23 Webinar on Maternal Vaccination
Protecting Mothers & Infants
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Dear EZIZ Users,

Join us for the Next CIC Education Hour
Thursday, August 23rd at 12 noon PT/ 3:00 pm ET

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Dr. Healy is a Pediatric Infectious Disease Specialist with Texas Children's Hospital and Associate Professor of Pediatrics at Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, Texas. She received her medical degree from the National University of Ireland and completed pediatric residency and fellowship training in Ireland. She also completed fellowships in pediatric infectious diseases, and in Vaccinology and Vaccine-Preventable Diseases at Baylor College of Medicine, where she has served on faculty there since 2005. She serves on a number of working groups for the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, United States.

Dr. Healy's research interests are focused on preventing infections in mothers and their infants through maternal immunization and on improving vaccination rates in all age groups—from infants to adults.

The August Education Hour will also feature a guest speaker from the Immunization Branch, California Department of Public Health (CDPH).

Rebeca Montealegre Boyte, MAS is Health Educator Supervisor for the Information & Education Section of the CDPH, Immunization Branch where she leads a team of health educators in conducting campaigns and other initiatives that support childhood, adolescent and adult immunization. Rebeca will be providing an overview of materials and resources that will help support your efforts to educate parents and providers on the importance of maternal vaccination.

Overview

In the United States and other countries, maternal immunization is recommended to protect both mother and young infants from vaccine-preventable diseases. The rationale for maternal immunization is built on the concept of passive protection; women mount an antibody response after immunization and transfer protective antibodies across the placenta during pregnancy to protect the infant during the first months of life. Influenza and pertussis vaccination is recommended for all pregnant women in the United States. This webinar will discuss the rationale and evidence for these recommendations and strategies to improve vaccination rates in pregnant women.

Objectives

- Describe the rationale for maternal immunization
- Outline current US maternal immunization recommendations for influenza and pertussis
- Explain the impact of maternal immunization on maternal and infant infection
- Discuss how vaccine uptake in pregnant women may be improved
- Identify resources for promoting and educating community and providers about importance of maternal vaccinations

The California Immunization Coalition (CIC) Education Hour is a series of webinars produced by the CIC Education Committee to provide immunization updates and information presented by top professionals in the fields of health and communication. We want these webinars to be useful for you and your stakeholders and appreciate your participation and feedback on these programs.

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