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SKIIP 2018-19 School Kids Influenza Immunization Project

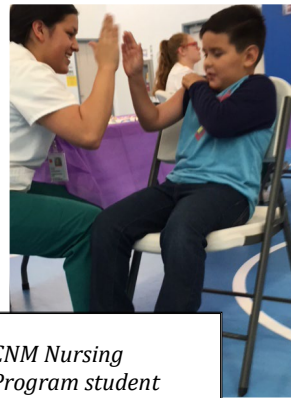
NMIC and DOH are gearing up for this year's SKIIP—School Kids Influenza Immunization Project. This year 380 schools statewide have registered to participate. Vaccine has not yet arrived but we anticipate that SKIIP clinics will begin Mid-October and run through January.

For the third year in a row, SKIIP will be providing injectible flu vaccine only. ACIP met in February and voted to recommend FluMist to be one of the vaccine options once again. However, NMDOH and SKIIP had already placed their flu vaccine order prior to the ACIP meeting.

Therefore, SKIIP will again only offer injectible flu vaccine.

Also new this year, based on recommendations from the CDC-Department of Health-sponsored evaluation of SKIIP, it was decided to concentrate SKIIP efforts on elementary and middle schools. Some high-performing high-schools have been grandfathered in but will be phased out next year.

SKIIP consent packets are



CNM Nursing Program student high-fives with a child at Marie Hughes Elementary who just got a flu shot

currently being printed and distributed to schools.

Training has been updated for the 2018-19 flu season and SKIIP trainers are available in all five public health regions. All medical personnel who participate in SKIIP are required to complete the training. The SKIIP training provides 2.4 nursing CEUs. An online version of the training is available if school nurses are unable to attend an in-person training. SKIIP volunteers must register with the NM Medical Reserve Corps. to ensure background checks are done and volunteers have active licenses.



UNM College of Pharmacy students at a Rio Rancho SKIIP clinic 2017

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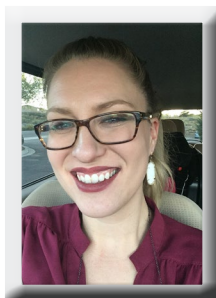
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Staff announcements

Leslie Berry

SHA, NW Region

Leslie Berry graduated from Texas Tech Health Science Center with her RN, BSN in 2011 and she has been a nurse now for seven years. Leslie spent three of those years as a school nurse in Texas where she realized her passion for school nursing.



with her family in March and has really enjoyed getting to explore this beautiful region! Leslie is excited to join DOH as the School Health Advocate for the Northwest Region and looks forward to working with schools and school nurses in her area. Feel free to contact her with any questions or if there is anything that she can do to assist you. Leslie's

email address is Leslie.Berry@state.nm.us

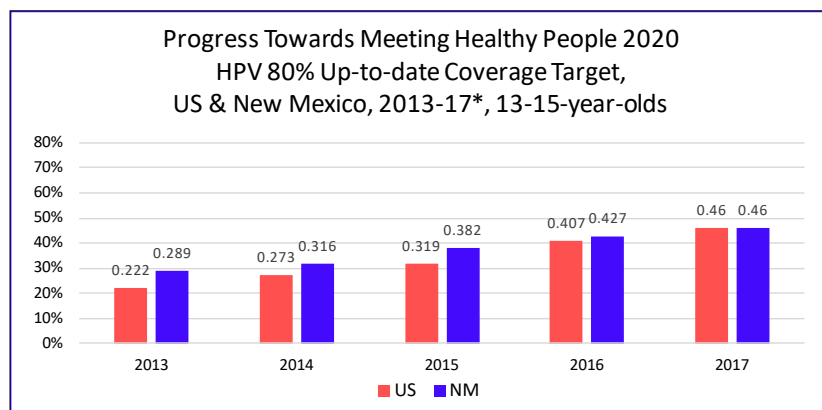
She moved to Gallup, NM

Jennifer Downey

SHA, NE Region

Jennifer Downey, RN, MPH is the new School Health Advocate for the NE Region, PHD located in Santa Fe. Jennifer has been an BSRN for 36 years, worked previously for NMDOH/PHD for over 11 years and a school nurse for 10 years. Previously, Jennifer has worked in a variety of health fields including psychiatric nursing, refugee health in Sudan, Africa and Thailand and emergency preparedness for NMDOH. Jennifer's email is jennifer.downey@state.nm.us

Immunization data corner



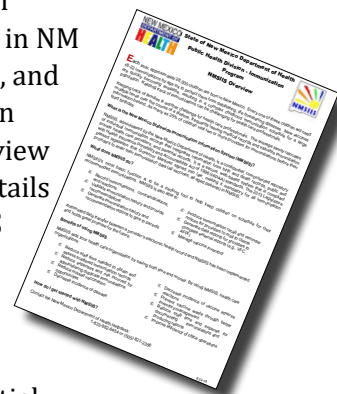
* Data are from the National Immunization Survey. Values for HPV3 are shown for 2013-2015, and values for HPV up-to-date (2 or 3 doses) are shown for 2016-2017.

National Immunization Survey 2017 Teen Data Update

National Immunization Survey Teen [data](#) were released in August, showing both the New Mexico and the nation-wide Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine up-to-date coverage levels rising to 46.0% for 13-15-year-olds. While HPV coverage gains have been consistent, they remain significantly lower than the Healthy People 2020 Target of 80%.

NMSIIS Overview

Immunization professionals in NM know NMSIIS, and now there's an NMSIIS Overview to provide details about NMSIIS to those who aren't in the know.



As a confidential repository of immunization records for all New Mexicans, NMSIIS does so much more than track immunization schedules for the citizens in our state, it also integrates data from birth and death records, health care providers and parents records.

Access this document [here](#).

Immunization resources

Join NIPA HPV vaccination learning

The National Improvement Partnership Network and the Academic Pediatric Association are collaborating on a national initiative, NIPA, starting in November 2018, funded by the CDC, to recruit health care practices that serve adolescents to participate in a 9-month, virtual, quality improvement project. Practices that enroll in this multi-state project will receive training in QI methodology and implement evidence-based practice changes to increase immunization rates and reduce missed opportunities for HPV vaccine administration. Participants can earn credit towards professional certifications for project participation:

- MC-FP credit for 1 Part IV module or 20 Part IV points, from the American Board of Family Medicine (ABFM)
- Up to 20 Performance Improvement Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits from the AAFP

Through four consecutive cohorts, NIPA has proven an effect model for getting results. Family medicine physicians from prior project cohorts increased HPV series initiation rates 46-58% and increased series completion rates 13-45%. [Enroll](#) by October 15.

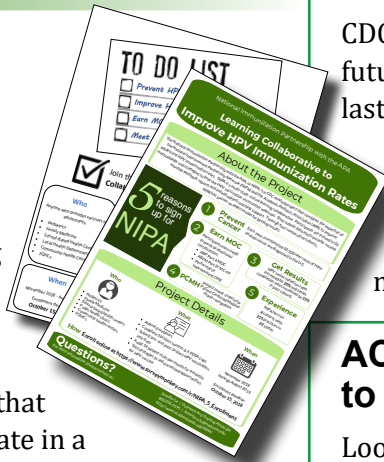
Link to the [flyer](#), or for more information about project requirements, contact Jennifer Le at Jennifer.A.Le@med.uvm.edu or 802-656-9195.

CDC updated VIS forms

The DTaP and meningococcal ACWY vaccine information statements (VIS) have been updated 8/24/18 and are now available.

[DTaP VIS](#)

[Meningococcal ACWY VIS](#)



Two new CDC reports on HPV

CDC provided encouraging signs for preventing future HPV-related cancers in their [report](#) released last month in the MMWR on estimates of teen vaccination rates in the US.

Another [report](#) in last month's MMWR indicates that oropharyngeal cancer was the most common HPV-associated cancer in 2015.

ACS online resources to raise HPV vaccination rates

Looking for resources to boost the HPV cancer prevention power of office administrative staff? The American Cancer Society now provides a communications kit, click her to sign up for the [downloadable communications kit](#).

CHOP tearsheet

A useful handout for parents on vaccine adjuvants and preservatives, [Vaccine Ingredients: What you should know](#) is one click away. It is a good resource that contains talking points for concerned parents and is available through CHOP, The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. The tearsheet can be ordered—you can get one tearpad free—it can also be downloaded as a pdf. CHOP provides tearsheets on other vaccines and provides other vaccine-related information.



Vaccine safety references

The Vaccine Education Center (VEC) has created a library of vaccine safety references with overviews of each study's findings. The [webpage](#) is the result of a collaboration between Dr. Stanley Plotkin, Dorit Rubinstein Reiss, and Heather Bodenstab that offers a repository of vaccine safety references for those asked to address these issues either with their patients or more formally, in court. The website is divided into topics and includes links to related pages. The references, with summaries, are also listed on the pages of the VEC website.

New Immunization Program eServices and online learning

As the world moves more and more towards online and eServices, all of us have become increasingly dependent on the convenience of our mobile and portable devices. A wise man once said, "A luxury once consumed, becomes a necessity." The necessity to stay modern and convenient is exactly the thing that motivates us to improve our services.

We are pleased to be able to offer these modern conveniences to our employees and state health providers.

Currently, our customers can access and complete our training online, and now can also register

online for upcoming onsite training sessions. To take that a step even further, our online NMSIIS and CHILe trainings can be accessed directly from a tablet, iPad, iPhone or Droid device. And, as of this month, users can also register online from a portable device for onsite trainings. These enhancements make it easier for our customers to utilize our services in the office and on the go.

As technology and the internet advance, we will continue to improve the ability to access information, share best practices and make learning options more electronically accessible, to keep pace with today's digital world.



Immunization advocates, providers, public health professionals and others interested in Immunizations...

Mark your calendars for the 16th Annual Meeting and Celebration of the New Mexico Immunization Coalition.

**Friday, December 7
9am to 4pm**

Plan to join us for the latest information, recommendations, and to learn about what's happening in the world of immunizations! Agenda and registration information will be sent out in late October.

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