



# Idaho Immune Newsletter

**2018**

**Happy New Year!**

**We welcome the new year with a bounty of beneficial information from the Idaho Immunization Coalition.**

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## **Idaho Vaccination Coverage Graphs and Child & Teen NIS 2016.**

The Idaho Immunization Program annually creates vaccination coverage graphs using Nation Immunization Survey (NIS) data. The graphs with 2016 data have recently been added to The Idaho Immunization Program website, located at [Idaho Immunization Project](#).

Child: [here](#)

Teen: [here](#)

Below are some Idaho highlights from the 2016 Child and Teen NIS:

### **Child NIS**

According to the 2016 Child National Immunization Survey, vaccination coverage for the primary seven vaccination series for Idaho children ages 19-35 months of age, was 73.9%.

- This is the highest level of coverage ever reported for Idaho through the annual survey

- Idaho's childhood vaccination coverage for the primary series is above the national average of 70.7%

Idaho's ranks 18<sup>th</sup> in the nation (out of 50 states) for primary seven vaccines vaccination coverage for children ages 19-35 months of age

Idaho had promising increases in vaccination coverage in both Rotavirus vaccination and Hepatitis A virus vaccination

- Rotavirus vaccination coverage increased from 74.5% in 2015 to 80.2% in 2016

- Hepatitis A virus vaccination coverage significantly increased to 67.1% in 2016 from 58.8% in 2015.

For the first time, Idaho not only reached, but exceeded CDC Healthy People 2020 goals for both Rotavirus and diphtheria, tetanus, and pertussis (DTaP) vaccine coverage rates.

## Teen NIS

Most Idaho teens are getting the first dose of HPV vaccine.

-57.2% of Idaho teens aged 13-17 received at least one dose of HPV vaccine according to the 2016 Teen National Immunization Survey

Although most Idaho adolescents are getting their first dose of HPV vaccine, there continues to be many who are not completing the vaccination series, so there is still work to be done.

While the percentage of teenage girls in Idaho receiving at least one dose of HPV vaccine only slightly increased between 2015 and 2016, we are encouraged to see that in our teenage boys, there was a 10 percentage point increase in those receiving at least the one dose of HPV vaccine.

-In 2015 44.2% of Idaho teenage boys had received at least one dose of HPV vaccine.

-That percentage increased to 54.7% in 2016, according to the survey.

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## Free Adult Vaccination Guide:

The *Guide* was funded by the National Vaccine Program Office via IAC's cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Located [here](#)

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## Idaho Immunization Program Website Enhanced with Adult Immunization Resources

The Idaho Immunization Program (IIP) recently added adult immunization resources to its website, [www.ImmunizeIdaho.com](http://www.ImmunizeIdaho.com). The new *Adult Immunization* tab includes links to resources for healthcare providers, immunization information for specific adult populations (e.g., pregnant women, college students), and vaccination coverage rates among Idaho adults, by age group and risk factor.

*Quick Links* on the adult immunization page will take you to information on pharmaceutical manufacturer vaccine patient assistance programs and immunization-related CME and CE.

The *Healthcare Providers* tab can be used to access the adult immunization schedule and vaccine information statements.

We invite you to visit <http://app.keysurvey.com/f/1127421/100a/> to participate in an online survey and let us know how we can improve our adult immunization webpages to better meet your needs.

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## Meningitis outbreak in Oregon and hepatitis A outbreak in Utah could affect Idaho

Idaho public health officials are alerting medical providers in Idaho about an ongoing serogroup B meningococcal disease outbreak at the Corvallis campus of Oregon State University (OSU) and a hepatitis A outbreak in Utah which could affect Idaho.

[Serogroup B meningococcal disease outbreak](#)

## at OSU, Corvallis campus

Oregon State University (OSU), Corvallis campus, is experiencing a serogroup B meningococcal disease outbreak. Healthcare providers evaluating college students for unexplained high fever, headache, stiff neck, or rash, are asked to consider [meningococcal disease](#) in the differential diagnosis, particularly in students who attend or are close contacts of those who attend OSU, Corvallis campus.

OSU now [requires](#) all Corvallis campus students age 25 years and under to be [vaccinated against meningococcal serogroup B](#) (MenB vaccine), with either two doses of [Bexsero®](#) or two out of three required doses of [Trumenba®](#) by February 15.

When vaccinating students, knowing the brand of the first dose of Men B vaccine is critical. [Bexsero®](#) is a two-dose series, with the second dose given 30 days after the first; [Trumenba®](#) requires three doses at times zero, one month, and six months. (The “two-dose regimen” for [Trumenba®](#) is NOT recommended for outbreak response.) Brands are not interchangeable. Please ensure that patients being vaccinated with Men B vaccine are fully aware of the importance of knowing the brand name and dates for follow-up doses.

### Hepatitis A outbreak in Utah could affect Idaho

Healthcare providers are encouraged to review vaccination records, and vaccinate against hepatitis A, if needed, all persons at high risk for hepatitis A, including patients experiencing homelessness. [Large hepatitis A outbreaks in western states](#) including Utah are occurring among homeless persons and persons who use illicit injection or non-injection drugs. Travel by infected persons from one locality to another has initiated new outbreaks; a recent acute hepatitis A case in an Idaho resident has possible links to the ongoing outbreak in Utah. Preemptive vaccination is recommended, along with counseling on other preventive measures such as good hand hygiene.

All homeless persons, and persons who use injection or non-injection drugs, who have not been previously vaccinated against hepatitis A or who do not have documentation of hepatitis A vaccination, should receive two doses of hepatitis A vaccine ([VAQTA®](#), 6–18 months apart; or [HAVRIX®](#), 6–12 months apart) or 3–4 doses of a combined hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccine ([TWINRIX®](#)). The supply of hepatitis A vaccine for adults is constrained; to conserve the vaccine supply and maximize the availability of at least one dose of hepatitis A vaccine among persons with exposure risk, the second dose can be deferred until the supply has improved. Pediatric-formulated vaccine should not be used in adults. Pediatric vaccine for children aged <19 years is available through the Idaho Immunization Program, [www.immunizeidaho.com](http://www.immunizeidaho.com).

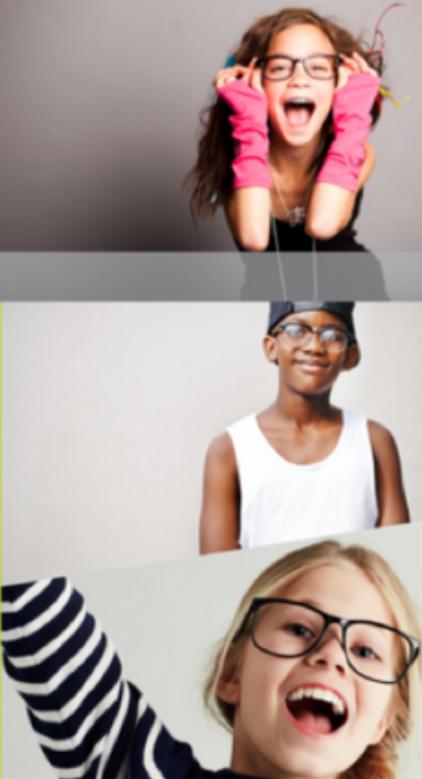
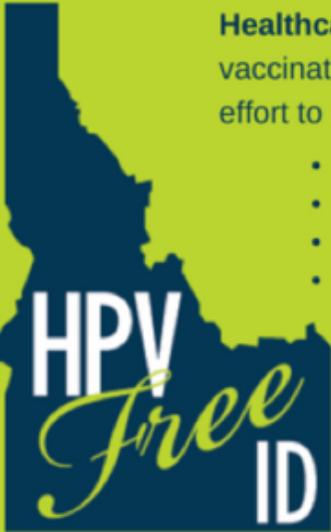
Please enter vaccine administration into [IRIS](#) for those patients who have not opted out.

If you have not already signed up to receive public health alerts through the [Idaho Health Alert Network](#) please consider registering. If you have registered in the past, please consider checking and updating your user profile and message delivery preferences.

If you have any questions, please contact your local [Public Health District](#).

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

## HPV Vaccination Week is February 5-10, 2018

Healthcare providers are the key to increasing HPV vaccination rates throughout Idaho. Join the statewide effort to increase HPV vaccination rates by:

- Hosting a walk-in HPV vaccination clinic
- Promoting HPV Vaccination Week
- Making HPV vaccination recommendations to parents
- Educating parents about HPV-related cancers

Register your organization as an HPV Vaccination Week participant and get access to free tools and resources at [hpvfreeid.org](http://hpvfreeid.org)



### Small Grant Program

Idaho Immunization Coalition would like to invite like-minded organizations (non-profits, public health, educational institutions, colleges/universities, local immunization coalitions, etc.) who want to make a difference in promoting immunizations in their community. The Idaho Immunization Coalition is sponsoring a Small Grant Program (grants ranging from \$100 - \$500) open to any organization in Idaho who would like financial support for an event, project or educational opportunity that relates to increasing immunizations in their local community. Applications will be given consideration quarterly, and organizations may apply annually. Please contact Karen Sharpnack [kjs@idahoimmune.org](mailto:kjs@idahoimmune.org) for more details and to receive the application on the Small Grant Program.

### Immunization Summit 2018



idaho immunization coalition

save the date

october 11, 2018 | saint alphonsus, boise

**SUMMIT 2018**

advocacy, education, and communication

keynote  
Catherine Martin  
California Immunization Coalition

Put it on your calendar, your friends' calendar, and your boss's calendar!

Catherine Martin, Executive Director for the California Immunization Coalition will be joining us at our 2018 Summit to share her insights on advocacy, education, and communication.

### Shot Smarts: 2018 Immunization Conference

# SHOT SMARTS

2018 IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE



The conference will provide updates and education to healthcare providers, nurses, and office staff about immunization best practices.

COEUR D'ALENE - APRIL 16, 2018  
at North Idaho College

POCATELLO - APRIL 18, 2018  
at Idaho State University

BOISE - APRIL 20, 2018  
at Jack's Urban Meeting Place (JUMP)



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## Job Announcements:

The Idaho Immunization Program (IIP) is searching for an Immunization Outreach and Assessment Coordinator. Please share this announcement with those who may be interested in helping us improve awareness of Idaho vaccinations. Located [here](#).

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**Thank you for your continued support!**

If you would like to do a little more, join us [here](#).