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VFC News Bulletin – October 19, 2017

PLEASE READ AND SHARE WITH ALL STAFF IN YOUR OFFICE!

Chicago Department of Public Health Family Flu Clinics

Family Flu clinics are a great opportunity to bring the whole family for flu vaccinations! Please tell your patients about the upcoming clinics. Flu shots are provided at no cost. Standard dose Quadrivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (QIV) will be offered.

| Saturday, October 28 from 9 am – 2 pm | Saturday, November 4 from 9 am – 2 pm |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Truman College 1145 W. Wilson Ave○ Arturo Velasquez Institute 2800 S. Western | <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Wright College 4300 Narragansett Ave○ Englewood Whole Foods 832 W. 63rd Street○ Daley College 7500 S. Pulaski Road |



Attendees who receive a flu shot at any CDPH flu clinic will earn 200 Park Points! [Park Points](#) is a program by the Chicago Park District where families and individuals can earn points and use them for rewards, credit toward classes and programs, and raffle contest prizes!

Supporting Puerto Rican Americans Displaced by Hurricane Maria: A Message from Commissioner Julie Morita, MD

The recent devastation that Hurricane Maria caused to the island of Puerto Rico has left many of our fellow Americans in great need of help and relief. Mayor Emanuel, the Chicago Department of Public Health and several other City of Chicago service agencies have pledged that Chicago will be a safe haven for our fellow Americans, and work diligently to receive and support any evacuee from Puerto Rico that chooses to find comfort in Chicago, be it on a short-term basis, or choosing to make Chicago their new home.

How can you help?

- If you receive new patients from Puerto Rico who require immunization histories, please follow the attached instructions on how to use the Puerto Rico Immunization Registry or PRIR (prir.salud.gov.pr).
- The PRIR Public Immunization Record Access portal is publicly available at <https://prir.salud.gov.pr/PRIRPRD/clientSearch.do?language=en>.
- Consider posting the instructions so the appropriate clinic staff can easily access them.



Chicago Healthy Adolescents and Teens Symposium

The Chicago Department of Public Health invites you to attend the Chicago Healthy Adolescents and Teens (CHAT) Symposium: The Role of Youth Friendly Services in Achieving Health Equity. The symposium is at no cost to you, but registration is required and space is limited. Please see the attached flyer for additional information.

When: Tuesday, November 14th 8 am – 12:45 pm

Where: Malcolm X College

Register: Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/CDPH-CHAT1> or contact contact@chataboutit.org for more information

Reminder- 2018 Back-up Thermometer Digital Data Logger Requirement

Effective January 1, 2018, back-up thermometers for monitoring VFC vaccines will need to be continuous temperature monitoring devices (digital data loggers - DDLs). **All Chicago VFC providers are required to have one back-up DDL for their clinic.** In order to be compliant with the VFC regulations, the back-up must have the following:

1. A temperature probe in a buffered material such as glycol
2. An active temperature display that can be easily read from the outside of the unit
3. The capacity for continuous monitoring and recording capabilities where the data can be routinely downloaded

The following are additional recommended features:

- Alarm for out-of-range temperatures
- Current, minimum, and maximum temperatures display
- Low battery indicator
- Accuracy of +/- 1°F (0.5°C)
- Memory storage of at least 4,000 readings
- Reading rate at a maximum time interval of every 15 minutes
- Use of a medium that best reflects the temperature of the vaccine (glycol or glass beads)

Chicago VFC providers may purchase any DDL they prefer to use. Please note, the Chicago VFC Program can only provide technical support for Log Tag DDLs. If your practice would like to order the same DDL as you received from Chicago VFC, place your order through www.vfcdataloggers.com. If you have any questions about the new requirement or ordering a DDL, please call Matt Lerick at 312.746.6249 or email chicagovfc@cityofchicago.org.

Cultural Competency and Vaccines: Lunch & Learn

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2017
11:45 AM – 1:00 PM**

Join us in person or via webinar to learn how culture influences vaccines decisions.

Presenters include:

Ayesha Hassain, M.D., MPH, Chief Medical Officer, Asian Human Services Family Health Center, Inc.
Juanita Mora, M.D., Chicago Allergy Center; Clinic Partner, American Lung Association
Marealita Pierce, M.D., Pierce Pediatric Associates
Margaret Russell, M.D., McGaw Medical Center, Northwestern University Family Medicine Residency

Deadline to RSVP is Friday, October 27.

Lunch RSVP:
1400 W. Hubbard Suite 100
Chicago IL 60642
<https://goo.gl/TLT9qg>

Webinar RSVP:
<https://goo.gl/3m6gDn>

For those that attend in person lunch will be provided by Pfizer, Inc. The meal is a reportable transaction for all Healthcare Professionals as outlined and defined in The "Sunshine Act (42 U.S.C. § 1320a-7h and 42 C.F.R. §§ 403.900-.914) as it is required to report specific information about payments or transfers-of-value that are made to a U.S.-licensed physician or healthcare professional. A "transfer-of-value" is a transfer of anything that has value.



Registration is free.

[RSVP to attend in-person](#)

or

[RSVP for webinar](#)

Upcoming Webinars

Please join EverThrive IL and the Chicago Department of Public Health for a webinar that will provide important information to help pediatric care providers in Chicago improve the identification and management of children with lead poisoning.

Childhood Lead Poisoning in Chicago- Information for Healthcare Providers

Dr. Cort Lohff, MD, MPH Medical Director for Environmental Health CDPH

Friday, October 27th, 12PM-1PM

Register today at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2466457854626380034>

The Illinois Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics (ICAAP) offers health care providers the opportunity to receive the latest information on pediatric and adolescent immunizations via webinar. ICAAP hosts these webinars to update and educate health care providers on important immunization issues and best practices.

Kicking off the Flu Season

Jennifer Burns, APN

University of Chicago

Tuesday, November 7th, 2017 from 12PM-1PM

National Influenza Vaccination Week

Angela Campbell, MD, MPH

Centers for Disease Control

Wednesday, December 6th, 2017 from 12PM-1PM

Register today at: <http://bit.ly/webinars2017>

The Chicago Department of Public Health and Partners cordially invite you to attend the

Chicago Healthy Adolescents and Teens (CHAT) Symposium

The Role of Youth Friendly Services in Achieving Health Equity

Tuesday, November 14, 2017

Malcolm X City College
1900 W. Jackson St., Chicago, IL 60612

Agenda

- 8:00a.m. Welcome
- 8:30a.m. Panel discussion reviewing national and local data and the importance of youth-friendly care
Jonathan Klein MD, MPH, Professor of Pediatrics and Senior Associate Chair, University of Illinois at Chicago
John Santelli MD, MPH, Professor of Population and Family Health and Pediatrics, Columbia University
Kenneth L. Fox, MD, Chief Health Officer, Chicago Public Schools
- 9:45a.m. Presentation on implementation of youth-friendly health services
Tonya Chaffee, MD, Professor UCSF Department of Pediatrics
Aisha Mays, MD, Core Faculty UC Berkeley/UCSF Joint Medical Program Dpt. of Family Community Medicine
- 11:15a.m. Youth voices and panel discussion of local models of health services for youth
Local providers
Teens from Mikva Teen Health Council
- 12:45p.m. Optional LARC* training until 4p.m.
**LARC=long acting reversible contraception (intrauterine device and implant)*
Lunch will be provided. 30 participant max.

Excellent learning opportunity at no cost and includes free CME/CE, free parking and breakfast. Space is limited. To register please visit <https://tinyurl.com/CDPH-CHAT1> or contact contact@chataboutit.org for more information.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint providership of the Illinois Academy of Family Physicians and CDPH. The Illinois Academy of Family Physicians is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians. Oakton Community College/Alliance for Lifelong Learning/Continuing Education for Health Professionals is an approved sponsor of continuing education through the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation for Registered Nurses, and Licensed Social Workers/Licensed Clinical Social Workers.

How to obtain immunization histories from the Puerto Rico Immunization Registry PRIR - prir.salud.gov.pr

To be used if a patient or family has relocated from Puerto Rico and cannot provide an immunization record.

Instructions:

- A. Go to <https://prir.salud.gov.pr/PRIRPRD/clientSearch.do?language=en>
- B. To access information, parent/guardian/healthcare provider/clinic staff can search PRIR online using 3 unique identifiers:
 - 1) **Name**
 - i. Note: one OR two last names can be entered – ex. can find a child with just one last name if they have two
 - 2) **Date of birth**
 - 3) **Social security number OR Medicaid ID**
- C. Print and file immunization record
- D. Provide copy to parent

Immunization Record Search

Families and individuals can use this screen to view and print their immunizations. First Name, Last Name or Second Last Name, and Birth Date are required.

* First Name * Last Name
- and/or -

* Birth Date * Second Last Name
MM/DD/YYYY

Please supply either the Social Security Number or Medicaid ID:

* SSN - -
- or -

* Medicaid ID

Click one of the links below to see the Puerto Rico Immunization Registry Parent Brochure:

- [PRIR Parent Brochure](#)
- [Folleto de PRIR para Padres de Familia](#)



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Contact

Please contact the Chicago VFC program at ChicagoVFC@cityofchicago.org with any questions or concerns.