



MINUTES

**General Assembly Meeting:
Thursday, September 20, 2007 11:00 am:
Via Teleconference**

Members present: President Gina Carpenter RN BBAHC Dillingham; Vice President Mary Jane Hanley PHN Kenai; Secretary Ellen Farrell RN The Children’s Clinic Anchorage; Treasurer Yvonne Young PHN Juneau; Mary Grisco Exec Director All Alaska Pediatric Partnership; Jennifer Meyer PHN Bethel; Shelly Foint-Anderson PHN Fairbanks; Charleen Pitta PHN Mat-Su; Laurel Flynn PHN Mat-Su; Lois Daubney PHN Seward; Ann Commodore SEARHC Juneau;

Guests: Gerri Yett RN Alaska Immunization Program; Steve Frawley MedImmune

NOTE: list may be incomplete, call 269-8013 to add attendees

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW-UP
Review minutes of 5/10/07 meeting	Action items report – “I Did It By TWO” presentation made to Native Health Corp Immunization Coordinators	Minutes accepted
Financial Report current balance \$859.25	\$20 paid out for Biennial Report fee, SOA Div of Corporations	Doreen will submit grant application to Alaska Nurses Foundation requesting \$5000 for 2008 “I Did It By TWO!”
<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Executive Committee meetings 6/1, 7/17, 9/5, 9,12</p> <p>Call for 2008 officer nominations, VAC-Fact sheets “HPV” & “Flu” join “D&T&P”, VAC Bookmark with a message, Call for VAC webpage monitor www.vaccinate.alaska.gov</p> <p>Excellence in Immunization Award Committee meetings 5/24, 6/13.</p> <p>2007 Nominations now being accepted. Nomina-</p>	<p>Executive Committee report – 1) No response yet from Governor’s office re: invitation to become VAC honorary member. 2) Newest VAC-FACT, provider info sheets, is HPV. Next edition is flu VAC-FACT coming out soon. 3) Mary Grisco volunteered to assist at AK Nurses Association Conference</p> <p>Excellence in Immunization Award Committee – 07 nomination form & process further defined. Nomination form distributed</p>	<p>Gina & Doreen will exhibit at Alaska Nurses Association Oct 21, 22, 23</p> <p>Doreen will distribute Award nomination form to all certified vaccine providers via broadcast fax – deadline Oct. 19, 2007</p> <p>Request for volunteer to monitor VAC webpage www.vaccinate.alaska.gov</p>

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<p>tion info & form on the VAC website. Award to be presentation at Health Summit Awards Luncheon Wed., Dec. 5</p>		
<p>Local Coalition Reports</p>	<p>YK Delta Immunization Coalition, Jennifer Meyer - "Kusko", retired sled dog who has joined the immunization race, debuted at 4th of July Parade and is making school appearances and back-to-school clinics "Stay Healthy-Stay Immunized". Two radio PSA & YK <i>Messenger</i> articles. Logo selected via local contest, linking "Kusko's" image with immunization message.</p> <p>Fairbanks Immunization Coalition, Shelly Foint-Anderson, partnering with Merck on HPV kick-off event Sept 24 and re-energize coalition</p> <p>Mat-Su Immunization Coalition, Charleen Pitta - meeting next Friday of interested parties to get started.</p>	<p>Post local coalition phone number and contacts on VAC webpage</p>
<p>2006 National Imm Survey (NIS) data – Doreen http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5634a2.htm?s_cid=mm5634a2_e</p> <p>Alaska ranks 45th in the nation, 4th DTaP seems to be culprit</p>	<p>Don't be discouraged (Alaska is actually 47th in the nation). Delaying the 4th DTaP appears to be one of the reasons.</p> <p>Mary Jane - RPMS does not forecast 4th DTaP at 12 mo.</p> <p>Gina - RPMS has options that can forecast by minimum spacing.</p> <p>Lois - Attention to 6 mo minimum spacing between 3rd & 4th is important.</p> <p>Gina – If 4th DTaP is deferred get child in ASAP for that 4th dose.</p>	
<p>Varicella vaccine supply delay - Doreen</p>	<p>Doreen – Merck says expect 20 days from their receipt of order. Poss return to normal shipping by end of Oct.</p> <p>Gerri – proposed DEED regulation changes for 2009-10 school year to require 2nd varicella and Tdap</p>	
<p>07-08 flu vaccination season: - Doreen</p> <p>Key items: 1 - Vaccine supply; www.flucliniclocator.org by Am Lung Association; 2 - Local plans, events, clinics; 3 -</p>	<p>Gerri - ~73,000 adult (>6 mo) and ~17,000 pediatric doses. ~ \$1,000,000 value</p> <p>State press release will come out end of next week on state flu vax supply. Planning continuing for NIVAW with Governor</p>	<p>Mary Jane & Doreen working on flu VAC-FACT</p>

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<p>National & state promo (National Adult Immunization Week Sept 23 – 29, 4 - Nat Influenza Awareness Week Nov 25 – Dec 1 (NIAAW)); 5 - State media event NIAAW, Governor proclamation</p> <p>FluMist update – Steve Frawley, MedImmune</p>	<p>Ann Commodore – will vax be received in multiple shipments as last year? Gerri – No, all state-supplied flu vax is from same manufacturer this year.</p> <p>Steve - FDA approved expanded age indication now age 2 – 49, dosing reduced by 60% due to refrigerator-stable re-formulation. Now FluMist is a second preservative free flu vax for < 5 yr olds. Expiration dating is 4.5 months from labeling. MedImmune offering product replacement policy this year. FluMist found to be 55% more effective than injectable - Steve will provide more info.</p>	
<p>2007 National Adult Immunization Awareness Week Sept 23-29. Excellent resource at National Foundation for Infectious Diseases (NFID) http://www.nfid.org/pdf/publications/naiaw07.pdf</p>		
<p>2007 annual meeting – Dec. 6 Sheraton Hotel Anchorage ~8:30 am – 1:00 pm</p> <p>requests for 08 VAC goals, submit or bring “best line” for Top Ten contest, Rotavirus presentation, IIS presentation & demo</p>	<p>Gina - Yvonne & Ellen are working on fun learning opportunities, Rotavirus speaker</p>	<p>Submit 2008 VAC goal(s) and “Best Line” to Doreen for 07 VAC Annual Meeting Dec 6, 2007</p>
<p>Immunization Information System (IIS) implementation status – Gerri Yett</p>	<p>Gerri – user focus groups meet</p>	
<p>CDC VIS automatic update notification service – Doreen http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm</p>	<p>Doreen – know, up-to-the-second, the most current VIS version via CDC automatic e-mail notification service.</p>	<p>Everyone who uses VISs should sign-up for CDC's automatic VIS update e-mail notification service.</p>
<p>Next General Assembly meeting 2007 Annual Meeting Thurs. Dec. 6, Anchorage Sheraton Hotel – Health Summit Post Session</p>		