

VACCINATE ALASKA COALITION

MINUTES

**General Assembly Meeting:
Thursday, March 20, 2008 11:00 am:
Via Teleconference
800-315-6338 code VAC# (822#)**

08 Members present: President Mary Jane Hanley PHN Kenai; VP Gina Carpenter, RN BBAHC Imm Coordinator Dillingham; Secretary Ellen Farrell RN The Children's Clinic ANC; Mary Grisco ED All AK Pediatric Partnership; Shelly Foint-Anderson PHN Fairbanks; Sarah Michael sanofi pasteur; Lois Daubney PHN Seward; Marcy Custer PHN Child Health Consultant ANC; Charleen Pitta PHN & Laurel Flynn PHN Mat-Su; Ros Singleton MD ANTHC Imm Consultant; Doreen Stangel AK Imm Program ANC

Members absent with notification: Janet Capito RN JNU School Dist.; Kara McCoy PHN Ketchikan; Treasurer Yvonne Young PHN JNU

Attendees: Chris Kilby PHN Nome; Shelly Collins Tanana Chiefs Imm Coordinator Fairbanks; Rachelle Hill PHN & Janice Templin-Weller PHN Delta Junction; Petra Cupino Bethel; Gail Stolz DPH Diabetes Program; Rebecca Carrillo WIC JNU; Toni Hackney PHN Data Program Specialist ANC; Gail Buckley PHN & Diane Norris PHN MUNI; Maureen Kauleinamoku RN Health Services Manager Fairbanks NSB School Dist.; Lori Pruitt RN YKHC Infection Control Bethel; Robert Filipczak YKHC Imm Coordinator Bethel; Marie Freidmann RN Ketchikan Tribal Health Corp Imm Coordinator; Jean Timmerman RN Bristol Bay Native Association Dillingham

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Review minutes of 07 VAC Annual Meeting	Maureen and Shelly reported on collaborative partnership with Fairbanks PHC and Fairbanks NSB School District to provide education and administer HPV vaccine at 3 High Schools in 10/07 & 2/08. Public Health did follow-up for 2 nd & possibly 3 rd dose(s) using established systems i.e. recall cards & RMPS imm module reminder letters.	Accepted without dissent
Financial Report – Treasurer Yvonne / Doreen	Current account balance \$3,440.96. Memberships for 07 total 41 for income of \$450. Memberships for 08 so far are 24 for income of \$270. ~ \$1,500 of available funds are dedicated for IDIB2 – see IDIB2 report below. Gina Carpenter – as 08 memberships are ~ 50% of 07 total, VAC should encourage new & re-new 08 memberships.	Doreen will send membership form to the VAC distribution with meeting minutes.
Committee Reports Executive Committee – President	Executive Committee - met via teleconference on Feb 13 & March 11. Discussed flu-caused death of previously healthy child in Anchorage. Continue giving flu vax through Spring 08. If out of flu vaccine, call the Epi	Continue giving flu vaccination through Spring 08. If out of flu vaccine, call the Epi Depot (341-2202) for

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<p>- Doreen</p>	<p>one received 80% of their 07-08 ordered amount. This was based on usage reported last year and available vaccine from SOA for 07-08. SOA flu ordering info for 08-09 should be available in a month or so. If out of flu vaccine, call the Epi Depot (341-2202) for assistance with local flu vaccine re-distribution.</p>	
<p>Recent Vaccine Injury Compensation decision regarding vaccine-autism link. Have members received any comments/questions? - Doreen</p>	<p>No one on the call has received any communication, questions, or comments from the public on this case. This VICP case involved a single situation of a child with a pre-existing mitochondrial disorder that expressed as "autism-like symptoms". Nothing from this one VICP case is applicable to any other VICP case nor is it valid to be used as "evidence" that vaccines cause autism. Sarah Michael, sanofi pasteur, reported that funds for VICP are derived from the 2% excise taxes paid on vaccine sales. CDC & AK Sec of Epi talking points provided to assist with public or provider questions. Always report any suspected vaccine adverse events to VAERS. VICP info is on every VIS.</p>	
<p>National Infant Immunization Week – April 19 - 26</p> <p>http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/events/niw/default.htm</p>	<p>NIIW proclamation submitted to the governor's office. Proclamations from SOA can only be released at an event where someone, need not be the governor, can announce the proclamation.</p> <p>How 'bout the Governor promoting National Infant Immunization</p> <p>Gina – Child Find program starting in Dillingham, for age 3-5 years, teaming with WIC on NIIW. Chris - Child Health Fair happening in Nome at the same time as NIIW.</p>	<p>Meeting participants asked to report NIIW events where Governor's proclamation can be delivered.</p> <p>Doreen will talk to Gina and Chris re: respective events where Governor's proclamation can possible be delivered.</p>
<p>08 Statewide MCH & Immunization Conference Sept 22-23 in Anchorage - Doreen</p>	<p>Agenda being developed at present. Stand by for more info on the agenda and registration.</p>	
<p>VAC 08 Annual Meeting planning – Mary Jane</p>	<p>Suggested possibility of scheduling VAC 08 annual meeting in September in conjunction with the statewide SOA & ANTHC MCH/Immunization Conference.</p>	<p>Meeting participants asked to e-mail thoughts and ideas on having the 08 VAC annual meeting at the time of the Sept. statewide MCH & Immunization</p>
<p>Status of DEED school & childcare immunization requirement regulation</p>	<p>OK'd by the Dept of Law and Lieutenant Governor's office. 3 prong changes: # 1 – homeless children, who meet criteria, are given 30 days to provide evidence of immunization and cannot be denied access to</p>	

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change for 2009-2010 Doreen	school for these 30 days – effective immediately, # 2 – for 2009-10 school year - Td booster will be replaced with Tdap booster, # 3 – for 2009-10 school year - second dose of varicella will be required, details not yet finalized.	
Alaska Immunization Information System (IIS) now “Vac TrAK” – Special VAC “Vac TrAK” meeting scheduled Thursday, May 15 at 1:00 to report status and provider recruitment - Doreen	Vac TrAK will begin data exchange, in stages, with Native Health Corps and PH Nursing RPMS on April 17. Private providers will be recruited later in the summer.	Call in to Special VAC General Assembly teleconference dedicated to Vac TrAK on May 15 at 1:00 am. Call-in number is 800-315-6338 code (VAC#) 822#
Set next General Assembly teleconference meeting Call in number is 800-315-6338 code VAC# (822#)	Tentative date/time June 19 @ 11:00	VAC 08 goal(s) need to be set. This will be an agenda item for the 6/19/08 VAC teleconference meeting. Call-in number is 800-315-6338 code (VAC#) 822#