

**Mat-Su Vaccine Coalition Meeting**

**January 20, 2010, 12:30-1:30**

**Place: Mat-Su Public Health Center (MSPHC)**

**Present:**

Miriam Hinthier- Ptarmigan Pediatrics  
Jane Conard- MSPHC  
Cathy Ezell-MSPHC  
Karen Impson D.O.-Adventures in Pediatrics  
Paula English-MSPHC  
Missi Kuow-UAA student  
Lois Weisgerber-MSPHC  
Christine VanCleve- Correspondence School Nursing  
Sherry Raskey- Mat-Su Providence Health  
Carol Koliadko-MSPHC

1. H1N1 activity.

Jane Conard reports MSPHC has given approximately 3,800 H1N1. MSPHC holding Mass Dispensing Event Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup> at Palmer Depot 2:00-7:00 p.m.

Christine Van Cleve reports that she has approximately 1,500 doses not used to date  
Private medical and pediatric offices report a down curve. In general there is a down slop of demand and/or utilization of the H1N1 from the community.

2. Dates to note:

National Immunization Month August 2010

National Infant Immunization Week August 24

Alaska VAC State Meeting September 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup> to be decided

**3. Next Meeting: February 17, 12:30-1:30 MSPHC Conference Room (Please Mark Your Calendars) Guest Facilitator – Elizabeth Ripley**

4. Brain Storming issues and ideas related to increasing IZ capacitance to Mat-Su and increasing IZ rates in children (utilizing PDSA interrelationship graphing)

Drivers to the Problem of limited capacity and low IZ rates:

A. Misinformation of Immunization leading to;

a. Fear in Parents regarding the increased # of “shots”

b. Parents using the “Heard” immunity as excuse/reason for not immunizing their own children

c. Independent homeschooled children have lower IZ rates compared to enrolled in Mat-Su Central Correspondence School - a possibility and concern brought up by Chris Van Cleve

B. Lack of Partners leading to;

a. Weak message to the population about importance of IZ

b. Perhaps more partners would increase access

Other noted points that didn't have any noted drive but still part of issues:

a. Cost (provider fee – free a public health)

b. Lack of preventive care coverage with insurance

5. Other Brain Storming Ideas and Suggestions;

A. Possible Partnering agencies/groups;

1. Head Start
2. Preschools
3. Parent-Teacher organizations
4. Lions and other community/philanthropic clubs
5. Churches (Vacation Bible Schools in the summer)
6. Food Bank
7. OCS (work program?)
8. Three Bears
9. Wal- Mart
10. Target

C. Ideas that need people and money;

1. Need for more ongoing/consistent paper editorials, infomercials, personal stories
2. Walk-in clinic hours
3. Mobile IZ unit (RV) with a Sign (Sign versatile to advertise future spot service dates and locations.
4. Prior to soliciting for partnerships, donations, or grants we need to consolidate our data for presentation of the problem and need to possible partners or donors.

Meeting Coordinator and Minutes: Carol Koliadko