

Assistant Director Report April 19, 2022

KIP Project Updates

1. Website Updates

Continuing to update the vaccination resources pages with new information as Kansas enters endemic footing. I am hopeful to transition a lot of the resources into a downloadable spreadsheet for easier access, similar to the IAC one.

2. KIP Collaboration

KALHD and the Kansas Pharmacists Association are working with other Kansas vaccine providers on a survey to learn how to better collaborate. We are developing the survey and should have it out to LHDs sometime this spring.

3. Immunizations Listserv

Encourage everyone to continue to utilize the immunizations listserv for questions and information, and make sure to check out the immunization update on Mondays. I am considering doing another survey this summer to assess it's continued effectiveness after pandemic footing has concluded.

4. Vaccine Hesitancy Resource Guide

Wanted to make another push for the resource guide on vaccine hesitancy. This guide will continue to be housed on KALHD's website, and will be updated yearly based on needs. If you want more information about the topics included in the guide, you can view the white paper at www.kalhd.org/white-paper.

5. Immunize Kansas Coalition

If you are a member of the immunizations listserv, you may have seen an email from myself and Emily Bailey with the Immunize Kansas Coalition. Their group has a resource hub as well as additional funding opportunities for the southwest corner of the state to do vaccine hesitancy work. Please reach out to shelby.ostrom@kalhd.org if you are interested.

Mid Year Meeting Updates

1. New Immunization Session

After speaking with our speakers from KDHE, we are transitioning the immunization session at the MYM to a review of the 2020-2021 kindergarten vaccine survey, which is produced by KDHE. Attendees will learn about how KDHE collects the data and how it is used and can be used by LHDs. Everything else will remain the same.

Other Projects

1. Record Retention Handbook

Continuing work on the record retention documents for LHDs. I am transitioning the separate documents into a handbook similar to the new administrator handbook. I am hopeful to have this done by late summer/early fall (at the latest) since it will take a while to edit and collect information. If you have any information you want included, please send it my way.

Upcoming Events

Building Vaccine Confidence in Families

Presented in partnership by KAAP, IKC, KAAFP, KHA, and KALHD

April 21; 12:00 – 1:00 p.m. (virtual)

[Register Here](#)