

Healthy People Build Strong Communities

Assistant Director Report November 15, 2022

KIP Project Updates

1. Communications Booklet

KALHD is continuing to work with other immunization providers on a booklet to improve communication between immunization providers. This booklet will be available next month. I will share more information when it is available.

2. Meeting with KDHE Regional Nursing Team

I met with the KDHE regional public health nurses to discuss plans for improving immunizations in the state and within health departments. We discussed new projects and how we might find synergry between KDHE and KALHD. More information to come.

3. Shot in Arm Documentary and Q&A Panel

This Thursday, November 17, the Immunize Kansas Coalition will be hosting a Q&A panel with Emmynominated filmmaker Scott Hamilton Kennedy about his new film *A Shot in the Arm* about vaccine hesitancy. <u>You can register for the free event here.</u>

4. Influenza Resource Guide

Since influenza is picking up for this season, I wanted to call attention to the influenza resources and guide on our website. This has information about influenza symptoms, templates, and resources for developing clinics. You can view it here.

5. Understanding the Past, Present, and Future of Vaccines, an Overview for Policymakers Presentation

On October 18, Charlie Hunt, MPH with the Johnson County Health Department presented on vaccines during the Kansas Association of Counties conference. If you missed the presentation, it has been uploaded to the vaccine resources google drive here.

Other Updates

1. Record and Document Retention Handbook

Wanted to also call attention to the <u>record and document retention handbook on KALHD's website here</u>. I'll be updating it for the new year in January.