

Assistant Director Report May 16, 2023

KIP Project Updates

- **Vaccine Buying Group**
 - Spoke with Michael Baumann with MMCAP out of Minnesota
 - This is a free service many of you already use to buy vaccine at a discounted price
 - I shared more details on how to get signed up (if you are not already) in the Immunizations listserv.
 - Questions about the program can be directed to me.
 - There will most likely be a session with Michael on how to get signed up.
- **VFC Provider Re-Enrollment**
 - The VFC provider re-enrollment period is open
 - Make sure to complete the required trainings and upload certificates
 - Make sure all contacts are updated
 - More information on the immunization listserv
- **Mid-Year Meeting Session**
 - The immunization session will take place on Tuesday afternoon
 - Will focus on how to use VAERS data in your LHD and talk about misinformation
 - Continuation of what will be discussed at the Immunization Conference
 - Encourage your immunization staff to attend; registration is free
- **COVID-19 Vaccine Updates**
 - Continuing to compile information on the listserv and on KALHD's website
 - Still waiting on standing orders; hope to have them soon
 - Questions can be sent to me or the immunization staff.
- **KFHF Back to School Campaign/Resources**
 - Dennis shared on the immunizations listserv about the KFHF back to school campaign
 - Wanted to share that KALHD has a resource (included with your board packet) to talk about vaccine exemptions.
 - If you want additional resources, please let me know.
- **New Flu Data Coming Soon**
 - Met with KDHE's immunizations data group last week
 - The Epi team is working on releasing a flu data dashboard similar to the COVID-19 dashboard sometime this summer.
 - They also are looking into providing resources/training on webIZ like properly wasting, and on the COVID-19 bivalent vaccines.

Non-Grant Projects

- **Scope of Practice Document**
 - Shared via the Administrator listserv
 - A larger booklet is coming sometime in June, published by KDHE with input from KALHD.

Upcoming Events

- **Hep B Awareness Month**
 - May 2023
 - More information in the immunizations listserv