

# *Office of Infectious Disease and HIV/AIDS Policy Updates*

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# NVP Mission

To achieve optimal prevention of human infectious diseases through immunization

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**BUILD PARTNERSHIPS.**



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**ADVISE, SUPPORT, AND COORDINATE INTERAGENCY/FEDERAL ACTIVITIES**



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**SUPPORT INITIATIVES AND POLICES THAT INCREASE IMMUNIZATION RATES**



# National Vaccine Advisory Committee

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- Last Meeting
  - February 10-11, 2022
- Day 1 Discussion
  - ✓ NVAC turns 35: Advancing the vaccine system
  - ✓ Protecting the world through Immunization
  - ✓ COVID-19 vaccine effectiveness
  - ✓ HHS Guidance on prohibiting discrimination in COVID-19
  - ✓ Towards a vaccinated workforce
- Day 2 Discussion
  - ✓ Correlates of protection
  - ✓ Expanding immunization information exchange
  - ✓ Vaccine safety
- Next Meetings
  - June 15-16, 2022; September 22-23, 2022; watch online at [hhs.gov/live](https://hhs.gov/live)

# Vaccines Federal Implementation Plan

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- The *Vaccines Federal Implementation Plan* is a companion document to the *Vaccines National Strategic Plan 2021-2025* (VNSP), which was released in January 2021.
  - ✓ Complies coordinated agency immunization activities that collectively advance the goals of the VNSP
  - ✓ Developed in partnership with the Federal Interagency Vaccine Work Group (IVWG)
  - ✓ Reports on vaccine development, administration, and policy based on the IVWG agencies' missions, priorities, regulatory and legislative directives, resources, and capacities
  - ✓ VNSP placed on Federal Register for public comments in March for 30 days. Received over 300 comments from 26 responders
- The NVP is currently adjudicating comments
- The release of the *Vaccines Federal Implementation Plan* is expected in the summer of 2022.

# OASH-OIDP Community Grants to Improve Vaccine Uptake

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- **Promoting Vaccine Confidence in Local Communities Through Partnership with Regional Health Offices**
  - Goal: Increase vaccine confidence among underserved low vaccination populations
    - Completed Activities:
      - 3<sup>rd</sup> quarterly meeting was conducted on May 13, 2022
      - Awardee's conducting community needs assessments to determine vaccine landscape
      - OIDP is currently engaging stakeholders- monthly & quarterly calls
    - Forthcoming Activities:
      - 4th quarterly meeting was conducted on August 19, 2022
      - Will conduct in-person site visits from June-August
      - Informational webinar for non-competing continuation application



**Now is the time to make sure your patients are protected against serious infectious diseases.**

Talk with parents and schedule their kids' recommended catch-up vaccines.

## Catch-up of Routinely Recommended Vaccines

- Routine vaccinations were missed due to the COVID-19 pandemic
- HHS supported Immunization Action Coalition Call to Action request to increase adult vaccinations
- Supporting and promoting co-administration of COVID-19 vaccine and other routine vaccinations missed during the pandemic
- Supporting and promoting co-administration of influenza vaccine and other routine vaccinations missed during the pandemic
- OIDP is utilizing the use of cooperative agreements to increase confidence in vaccine products, providers, and policy, among underserved communities
- Changes to payment code now allow for billing of vaccine counseling for Medicaid and CHIP patients to parents who receive guidance on immunizations.

# Office of Infectious Disease HIV/AIDS Policy: Vaccine Communication

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- Promotion of Adolescent Immunization Action Week (AIAW)
  - OIDP conducted several activities to promote AIAW (April 4–8)
    - ✓ Updated web content to promote AIAW on HHS OIDP's *Immunization Information for You and Your Loved Ones* webpage
    - ✓ Social media advertisements on OIDP social media channels
    - ✓ HHS blogspot written by ASH to promote AIAW
- Promotion of catch-up activities for routine vaccinations
  - Catch-up to Get Ahead Toolkit
    - ✓ Increase access to childhood vaccines
    - ✓ Coordinate Communication
    - ✓ Utilize policy to reduce barriers to obtaining these delayed vaccination
- Social Norming of Pediatric Vaccines National Campaign
  - Communication on the importance of keeping up with childhood vaccines
    - ✓ Print, digital, and multimedia tactics
    - ✓ Expected to launch in late July
    - ✓ Campaign will be rolled out during “back to school” season

## Partnership and Stakeholder Collaboration

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- Working with Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) to gather information on COVID-19 vaccine delivery at 200 unaccompanied minor programs
- Support FDA's Vaccines and Related Biological Products Advisory Committee (VRBPAC) and CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)
- Support American Medical Group Association's Rise to Immunize campaign to administer 25 million vaccines by 2025
- Co-lead National Adult Influenza and Immunization Summit (NAIIS) with IAC and CDC



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# Healthy People 2030



- Healthy People 2030-data-driven national objectives to improve health over the next decade.
- Most Healthy People 2030 objectives are core, or measurable, objectives that are associated with targets for the decade. Core objectives reflect high-priority public health issues and are associated with evidence-based interventions.
- Developmental objectives represent high-priority public health issues that are associated with evidence-based interventions but don't yet have reliable baseline data.
- NVP is working with CDC and the Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion on immunization objectives to improve adult coverage rates across the lifespan and uptake of the Tdap vaccine for pregnant women.