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Immunization Program Training

On May 3, Immunization folks from across New Mexico gathered in Albuquerque for a one-day training on all Immunization issues, ranging from VFC rules to Hepatitis B to AFIX to NMSIIS updates and the Immunization program strategic plan. Thirty-five immunization program folks gathered to learn, network and share.

Included in the day was also a special presentation from a trainer from the State Personnel Office on "Happiness in the Workplace," which added some

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Annual Provider Awards for 2017

Every year, providers around the state are honored for their excellence in vaccinating children. In addition to the Provider Awards, Immunization Champions are also nominated and honored. This year is no different—NMIC named provider awardees who are listed on page 4, and two Immunization Champions, presented below.

Santa Clara Health Center Nursing Staff

The nursing team rose above and beyond during influenza season, working to immunize members of their community. They held clinics at schools and in the community, and immunized homebound patients. The nursing team diligently entered data into NMSIIS. Their goal to protect the community made the team approach effortless and efficient.

Brian Etheridge, MD

Dr. Etheridge is a long-time advocate for children's immunizations and a leader in the community. He has promoted partnership to increase HPV vaccination rates. Last year, Dr. Etheridge wrote two Op-Ed pieces on the importance of HPV vaccine and organized a webinar on HPV guidelines to improve New Mexico's HPV rates.

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Group photo of attendees at the May 3 Statewide Immunization Program Training, Midtown Public Health Office

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Immunization Program

Staff announcements

Raymond Gallegos



A native New Mexican, Raymond was born and raised in Albuquerque.

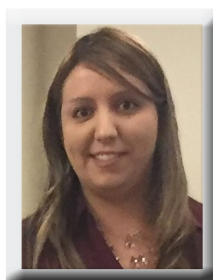
He also had the opportunity to travel abroad to experience other cultures, but over the years has learned to appreciate what we have here at home. Raymond has 14 years of experience working in the BPO industry, focusing on training development/design and delivery of performance-based learning, as well as performance development and process analysis. He has been fortunate to be on the initial launch and training teams for multiple clients in both North American locations as well as international sites.

For much of Raymond's personal time you will find him either riding his Harley or planning his next fishing trip. Like many of you, he enjoys spending time with family and friends when not working. He also works closely with the motorcyclist community and other organizations to create a safer riding culture in New Mexico.

Raymond looks forward to bringing his experience to his new role as NMSIIS Training

Coordinator and to being part of improving the state we call home. Raymond can be reached via email at Raymond.Gallegos@state.nm.us

Samantha Griego



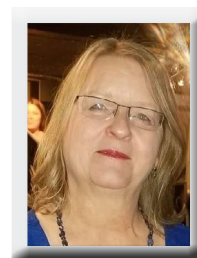
We are pleased to announce that Samantha Griego has accepted the position of VFC Health Educator.

Samantha joined the Vaccines for Children's Program as a Clerk in April 2017. Prior to joining the VFC team she worked in the medical field for ten years; some of those years she served as a Medical Assistant and cherished every minute of it.

Samantha is a native New Mexican and grew up in Tesuque. She loves spending time outdoors and enjoys camping during the summer months. Samantha brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Health Educator position and will be an exceptional asset.

Join us in congratulating Sam on her promotion to this position with the VFC Program! Email Sam at Samantha.Griego@state.nm.us

Rebecka Hartung

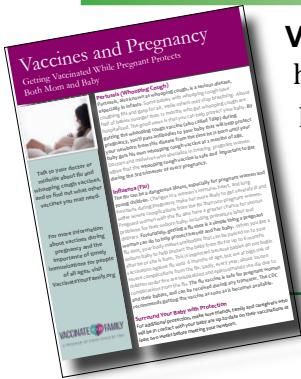


Rebecka grew up in Michigan on Lake Erie. She has six children; five girls and one boy. Their ages range from 39 to 21 years old. One of Rebecka's daughters followed in her footsteps— she became a nurse three years ago. She has 14 grandchildren. Plus, she has 3 fur babies, a pit bull named Cinnamon, and two corgi mixes named Dylan and Rollo. Rebecka likes to read, watch TV, work on crafts, garden, camp and fish.

Rebecka has been a nurse for over 36 years. She has worked in a variety of settings including home care, hospital, community service, freestanding psychiatric, occupational environment, mortality review, compliance officer, forensic nursing, long-term care, and sub-acute care. Rebecka has over 12 years as nurse manager/director, 7 years as charge nurse and 4 years as a nurse educator. She moved to New Mexico after completing her Master's Degree. Three of her children came with her.

Rebecka is excited to join the group at Midtown Public Health Office as the Nurse Manager. She can be reached at rebecka.hartung@state.nm.us

Immunization resources



Vaccinate Your Family has created a fact sheet that provides information on the importance of vaccinating against pertussis and flu during pregnancy, [click here for the link](#).

CDC link below provides information for VFC providers

about the Pediatric **Hep B vaccine supply shortage** and guidance for completing the series during the shortage. [Click here](#)

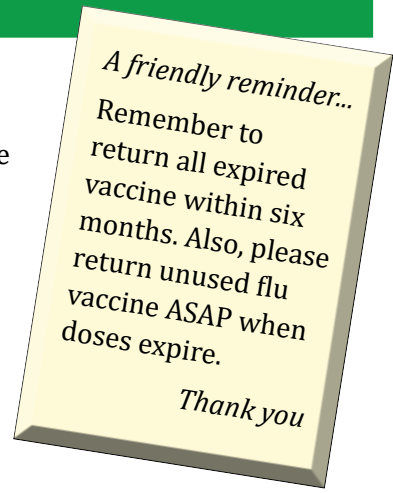
Join **The CDC's Pink Book Webinar Series** Wednesday's at 10am MT. Free continuing education available. Advanced registration is required, [register here](#). The upcoming Pink Book sessions are listed below:

- 6/27General Best Practice Guidelines, Part 2, and Vaccine Safety
- 7/11 Vaccine Storage and Handling; Vaccine Administration
- 7/18Immunization Strategies
- 7/25Diphtheria, Tetanus, and Pertussis/Tdap
- 8/1Rotavirus and Hepatitis A
- 8/8Meningococcal
- 8/15Varicella and Zoster
- 8/22Polio and Hib
- 8/29Measles, Mumps, Rubella
- 9/5Hepatitis B
- 9/12Human Papillomavirus
- 9/19Pneumococcal
- 9/26Influenza

New CDC materials now available
#PreteenVaxScene Webinar Recording: An Interprofessional Approach to HPV and

Oropharyngeal Cancer Prevention Education is available [here](#).

"HPV Vaccination at 11 and 12 as a Standard of Care." To access this on-demand video that provides CEs, [click here](#).



The American Academy of Pediatrics has many printable resources available regarding HPV vaccine. Materials are clinician-focused and parent/patient-focused, including a flip chart for pediatric offices aimed at helping providers discuss adolescent immunization with patients and families. Access materials [here](#).

The American Cancer Society (ACS) has developed Clinician and System Action Guides. These booklets are tailored to specific audiences and communicate **key interventions and strategies to raise HPV vaccination rates**. [Click here](#) to access the guides. The titles are listed on the sidebar.

- ACS Guide titles**
- Physician/PA/NP Guide
 - Nurse & Medical Assistant Guide
 - Dental Health Professionals Guide
 - Large Health Systems Guide
 - Office Team Guide
 - Small Private Practice Guide

HPV Vaccine: Same Way, Same Day™ is a brief, interactive role-play simulation to help healthcare providers talk about HPV vaccine and address parent concerns. It is ideal education for clinicians involved in residency training, QI collaboratives, office



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levity and contemplation to the training. CEU's were offered for nurses, and raffle items were given to five lucky winners.

Here are some photos from the Training.

Scarlett Swanson,
Amber Padilla,
Margaret Cunningham



Andrea Romero, Stephanie Salazar,
Grace Gonzales, Marsha Lucero



Meg Smyth, Erica Martinez,
Kate Dauber



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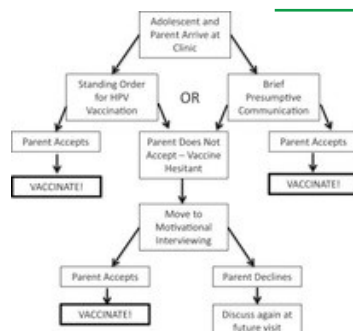
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in-service training, etc. The complimentary versions are available for mobile devices from the Google Play Store or from the Apple iTunes Store.

The National HPV Vaccination Roundtable invites you to join the **HPV Cancer Free Family group on Facebook**. It is a place for families to find accurate information about HPV vaccination, HPV-related cancers and get answers from doctors, nurses, researchers, HPV cancer survivors and other advocates. A representative will be on-hand to answer questions and respond to comments at least once a day Monday-Friday. [Join here](#).

JAMA Pediatrics: Communication Intervention. A key factor influencing adolescent HPV vaccination is how a healthcare professional

recommends it. An [article](#) in the March issue of JAMA Pediatrics, "Effect of a Healthcare Professional Communication Training Intervention on Adolescent Human Papillomavirus Vaccination: A Cluster Randomized Clinical Trial" found that communication has a positive impact on HPV vaccine series initiation. Medical professionals often fail to communicate effectively about the HPV vaccine. The President's Cancer Panel has indicated that interventions to improve healthcare professionals' communication about adolescent HPV vaccination are needed.



CDC has posted a **Childhood Immunization Update for healthcare professionals**. This 1-hour presentation is intended for use by physicians or vaccine coordinators during grand rounds presentations or other educational meetings. It may be customized. [Click here for the presentation](#).

An on-demand webinar is available [here](#) titled **Vaccine Confidence: The Key to Communicating with Parents and Patients** by Sanofi Pasteur.

The National Foundation for Infectious Diseases has various **resources**

for colleges:

- [Increase flu vaccination rate in college students, webinar](#)
- [Infographic on flu](#)
- [Report on flu](#)
- [Alana's Foundation](#)

NMIC Provider Award Winners

These practices have achieved immunization excellence in accordance with NMSIIS data records. We honor and recognize these excellent providers for keeping children safe from vaccine-preventable diseases.

80% and higher childhood immunization rate

BCA Medical Associates, Artesia
BCA Medical Associates, Carlsbad

* Maria G. Crawley, MD, Las Cruces

* Dulce Health Center
Full Bloom Pediatrics, Las Cruces

* Gallup Indian Medical Center

* Allan L. Paul, MD, Alamogordo
Raney Pediatrics, Carlsbad

Rehoboth McKinley Christian Health Care Services, College Clinic, Pediatrics, Gallup

10% or more increase in childhood immunization rate from the initial visit to the follow-up AFIX visit

* Dulce Health Center

* Gallup Indian Medical Center
La Casa De Buena Salud, Portales
La Clinica De Familia, Central



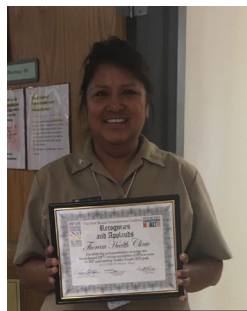
Joon Lee and Nicole Joyce, Gallup Indian Medical Center

Medical Clinic 2, Las Cruces
Los Alamos Pediatrics Clinic
* Allan L. Paul, MD, Alamogordo
Presbyterian Isleta Pediatrics, Albuquerque
PMG Española Hospital, Pediatrics
Reginald O. Lord, MD, Albuquerque
* Santa Clara Health Center, Española
Sastun Family Medicine, Santa Fe
Southwest Care Womens Health Services and Family Medicine, Santa Fe
UNM Hospital Pediatric Clinic, Albuquerque
White Mountain Medical, Ruidoso

80% and higher adolescent HPV immunization completion rate

Las Cruces Family Medicine

* Maria G. Crawley, MD, Las Cruces
St. Anthony Pediatrics, Anthony
Santa Fe Indian Hospital
Thoreau Health Clinic



Christine Castillo Thoreau Health Clinic

70% and higher adolescent HPV immunization completion rate

Crownpoint Healthcare Facility

* Dulce Health Center

* El Centro Family Health, Coyote Clinic
Miners Colfax Medical Center Clinic, Raton
* Pediatric Health Services, Albuquerque
* Santa Clara Health Center Española
Union Medical, Roswell
Zuni Indian Hospital

10% or more increase in HPV vaccine completion rate from the initial visit to the follow-up AFIX visit

Carrizozo Health Clinic
* El Centro Family Health, Coyote Medical Clinic
Full Circle Healing Family Practice, Santa Fe
* Pediatric Health Services, Albuquerque
PMG, Rio Rancho Family Practice, Rio Rancho
PMS, Quay County Family Health Center, Tucumcari
Quality Pediatrics, Hobbs
Santa Rosa Public Health Office
Taos Clinic for Children & Youth
Villa Therese Catholic Clinic, Santa Fe

**Practices being recognized in more than one category*



Amy Luo, Kali Autrey, Francine Jones, Crownpoint Healthcare Facility

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New Mexico's Immunization Team attended the National Immunization Conference in Atlanta. Left to Right: Margaret Cunningham, Lynne Padilla, Anna Pentler, Kelly Bassett, Rebecca Gehring, Scarlett Swanson (front), Lisa Jacques-Carroll, Maggie June, Jordan Burton, Erica Martinez.

