



# IMPORTANT NOTICE

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An Immunization Update from the Idaho Immunization Program (IIP)

## IRIS TRAINING: FEBRUARY 2012

The new Immunization Reminder Information System (IRIS) is scheduled to go live on Thursday, March 1, 2012.

**Anyone in your office who uses IRIS needs to attend a training in February 2012.**

If you use IRIS for vaccine ordering, vaccine accountability, patient reminder/recall, or patient immunization record lookup, then your attendance is expected.

Training registration is currently open. Trainings will be offered in the following areas at various times throughout the day. For specific locations and to register, please visit [www.immunize.idaho.com](http://www.immunize.idaho.com) and click on the respective links.



City	2012 Date(s)
Boise	February 13 - 17
Nampa	February 13 - 15
McCall	February 16
Twin Falls	February 17 and 21
Sandpoint	February 20
Coeur d'Alene	February 21
Lewiston	February 22
Grangeville	February 23
Rexburg	February 20
Idaho Falls	February 21 - 22
Pocatello	February 22
Blackfoot	February 23

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Please contact [iris@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:iris@dhw.idaho.gov) or call (208) 334-5931 with questions.

## VACCINE PACKING SLIPS CHANGE

Effective January 2012, all shipments of vaccine will include a new packing slip. The primary change is the identification of vaccine backorder status, if applicable.

## VACCINE UPDATES

### Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids Adsorbed (Td)

Sanofi Pasteur will replace its current Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids Adsorbed (Td) vaccine, DECAVAC®, with TENIVAC®. This transition will take place over the next few months. As the supply of DECAVAC® vaccine is depleted, your office will be shipped TENIVAC®.



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## VACCINE UPDATES CONTINUED

TENIVAC<sup>®</sup> vaccine is indicated for active immunization for prevention of tetanus and diphtheria. TENIVAC<sup>®</sup> is approved for use in persons 7 years of age and older.

### Seasonal Influenza

2011-2012 Seasonal Influenza vaccine is still available to order from the IIP. Influenza vaccination is recommended for everyone age 6 months and older, so please keep vaccinating your patients.

2012-2013 Seasonal Influenza will be included in the Idaho Immunization Assessment. All pediatric 2012-2013 seasonal influenza vaccine will be supplied by the IIP for VFC and non-VFC eligible children. Do not privately purchase pediatric influenza vaccine for the 2012-2013 flu season.

Note: Pediatric vaccines funded by the Idaho Immunization Assessment will not be reimbursed by health insurance carriers for Idaho children.

## VACCINE BRAND CHOICE

If your office would like to make changes to the vaccine brands currently selected, please notify the IIP by Tuesday, January 31, 2012. If no changes are made, current brand choices will remain effective until June 30, 2012.

To request a change to vaccine brand choice, please complete the Vaccine Brand Choice form and fax it to the IIP at 208.334.4914 or email the IIP at [IIP@dhw.idaho.gov](mailto:IIP@dhw.idaho.gov) by January 31, 2012. The vaccine brand choice will be effective until June 30, 2012.

## SHOT SMARTS 2012

Shot Smart speakers for 2012 will include:

Melinda Wharton, MD, MPH: Captain, United States Public Health Services, Deputy Director of the National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Wendy Sue Swanson, BA, MD, MBe, FAAP: Pediatrician at The Everett Clinic, Mill Creek, Washington, Medical staff member at Seattle Children's, and Clinical Instructor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Washington.

Registration will open on March 4, 2012 and close when the location reaches capacity. Save the date!

2012		
Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
<b>April 24</b>	<b>April 25</b>	<b>April 27</b>
<i>Idaho Falls</i>	<i>Boise</i>	<i>Coeur d'Alene</i>

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