

# Reliable Sources of Immunization Information For Health Professionals by the Whatcom County Health Department



## Websites:

Washington State Department of Health (DOH)

Immunization Program CHILd Profile

[www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/immunize](http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/immunize)

Whatcom County Health Department (WCHD)

Immunization Program

[www.whatcomcounty.us/health/community/immunizations/immunizations.jsp](http://www.whatcomcounty.us/health/community/immunizations/immunizations.jsp)

Every Child by Two (ECBT) [www.ecbt.org](http://www.ecbt.org) and [www.vaccinateyourbaby.org](http://www.vaccinateyourbaby.org) Educational materials on vaccine safety, research, science & myths. (See FAQ's)

Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)  
National Center for Immunization & Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD)

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)

NCIRD provides leadership for the planning, coordination, and implementation of immunization activities nationwide.

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs)

More information on vaccines publications and resources.

<http://www.cdc.gov/pubs/NCIRD.aspx>

Ordering CDC Materials

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)

[www.cispimmunize.org](http://www.cispimmunize.org)

AAP's Childhood Immunization Support program website contains information for both parents and clinicians

Immunization Action Coalition (IAC)

[www.immunize.org](http://www.immunize.org) & [www.vaccineinformation.org](http://www.vaccineinformation.org)

These websites offer educational pieces, photos and video clips for parents, health professionals, the media and the public

[www.immunize.org/catg.d/free.htm](http://www.immunize.org/catg.d/free.htm)

IAC free print materials

National Network for Immunization Information

[www.nnii.org](http://www.nnii.org) Science-based information

Vaccine Education Center (VEC)

[www.vaccine.chop.edu](http://www.vaccine.chop.edu)

Vaccine facts about each childhood vaccine, how vaccine works, who recommends and more. Publishes a monthly vaccine e-newsletter for parents.

(Adapted from the Immunization Action Coalition by WCHD 10/10)



## Phone Numbers:

**CDC-INFO Contact Center**

A toll-free number for consumers and health professionals who have questions about public health, including questions about vaccine-preventable diseases

1-800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)

Email an expert: [nipinfo@cdc.gov](mailto:nipinfo@cdc.gov)

Washington State Department of Health (DOH)

Immunization Program CHILd Profile

1-866-397-0337 (toll free)

Whatcom County Health Department (WCHD)

Immunization Program

360-676-4593



## Books for Parents:

**Vaccines: What You Should Know, 3<sup>rd</sup> edition**

By Paul Offit, MD and Louis Bell, MD, 2003

To purchase, visit your local bookstore, or visit

[www.wiley.com](http://www.wiley.com)

**Do Vaccines Cause That?! A Guide for Evaluating Vaccine Safety, 1<sup>st</sup> edition (2008)**

By Martin Myers, MD & Diego Pineda, MS. Published by Immunizations for Public Health. Science-based answers to parents' questions about the safety of vaccines.

To purchase, visit your local bookstore or:

[www.dovaccinescausethat.com](http://www.dovaccinescausethat.com)

**Parents' Guide to Childhood Immunization**

A 70-page booklet from CDC's NCIRD.

Order or view online in English or Spanish at:

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/parents-guide](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/parents-guide)

**Plain Talk About Childhood Immunizations, (2008)**

From Public Health-Seattle & King County

View online at:

<http://www.kingcounty.gov/healthservices/health/communicable/immunization/PlainTalk.aspx>

Free booklet may be ordered by telephone at: 800-322-2588

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## Vaccine Information Statements VIS's:



To order Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) & other WA State Dept. of Health (DOH) materials:

To order online:

[www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/immunize/vaccine/order-materials.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/cfh/immunize/vaccine/order-materials.htm)

Then <https://fortress.wa.gov/prt/printwa/wsprt/default.asp>

To order materials by e-mail:

[Immunematerials@doh.wa.gov](mailto:Immunematerials@doh.wa.gov)

VISs in English and other languages:

IAC @ [www.immunize.org/vis/index.htm](http://www.immunize.org/vis/index.htm) - or -

CDC @ [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/default.htm)

VIS Facts:

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/vis-facts.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/vis-facts.htm)

## Videos & DVD's:



**"Vaccines and Your Baby" and**

**"Vaccines: Separating Fact from Fear"**

Both videos/DVD's are for parents of young children from the Vaccine Education Center at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. They can also be viewed online.

To order, call (215) 590-9990; or order online at:

[www.vaccine.chop.edu](http://www.vaccine.chop.edu)

**"Immunization Techniques: Safe, Effective, Caring"**

This 35-minute video teaches best practices about how to administer intramuscular (IM) and subcutaneous (SC) vaccines to infants, children, and adults. It is designed for use as a "hands-on" instructional program for new staff as well as a refresher course for experienced health professionals.

Order online at:

[www.immunize.org/shop/toolkit\\_iztechdvd.asp](http://www.immunize.org/shop/toolkit_iztechdvd.asp)

**"How to Protect Your Vaccine Supply"**

CDC produced this CD ROM video on safe vaccine storage and handling for providers of vaccine.

Order or view online at:

[www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/shtoolkit/pages/videos.htm](http://www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/shtoolkit/pages/videos.htm)

## Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) Web site

VAERS is a safety surveillance program, collecting information about adverse events (possible side effects) that occur after the administration of US licensed vaccines.

This system helps to identify adverse event trends. A VAERS report can be filled out online by professionals or parents at this website. [www.vaers.hhs.gov](http://www.vaers.hhs.gov)

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## Immunization Publication and Newsletter



**"IAC Express"**

A weekly email news service covering the latest information about U.S. vaccine recommendations, policies, and resources.

**"Needle Tips" and "Vaccinate Adults"**

These are semiannual publications on immunization practice written by IAC and reviewed by CDC.

To view publications online go to:

[www.immunize.org/nt/](http://www.immunize.org/nt/) & [www.immunize.org/va/](http://www.immunize.org/va/)

To subscribe to IAC Express or the above periodicals:

[www.immunize.org/subscribe](http://www.immunize.org/subscribe)

**"Ask the Experts"**

Experts from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) answer challenging and timely questions about vaccines and their administration.

[www.immunize.org/askexperts](http://www.immunize.org/askexperts)

**Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Statements**

ACIP statements are official federal recommendations for the use of vaccines and immune globulins in the United States and are published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. To Access online:

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/ACIP-list.htm)

**"The Pink Book" Epidemiology & Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases**

CDC's Pink Book condenses a large amount of disease and vaccine information into an easy to read resource.

View online at:

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/default.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/default.htm)

To order call (877) 252-1200

## Online Immunization Training Sites

**You Call the Shots**

This an interactive web-based immunization training course offered by CDC: [www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm)

**CDC Self Study Immunization Education & Training**

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/default.htm>

**A Boost Up: Optimizing Childhood Immunizations**

Features a series of 3 patient cases & was produced by the Univ. of Penn. School of Medicine: [www.PedsVaccinesCME.com](http://www.PedsVaccinesCME.com)

California EZIZ training:

[http://www.eziz.org/pages/eziz\\_training.html](http://www.eziz.org/pages/eziz_training.html)

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