



## PAIC Weekly Update 7/19

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### PAIC Upcoming Events and Resources

- **Celebrate National Immunization Awareness Month with PAIC!** National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM) is an annual observance held in August to highlight the importance of vaccination for people of all ages. Join PAIC, in partnership with the PA Chapter of the American Academy of Family Physicians (PAFP) for a panel discussion to review childhood, adolescent, and adult vaccination data pre and post pandemic, and review strategies on how to increase all lifespan immunizations this fall. Registration link coming soon!
- **PAIC wants to know what you have planned for National Immunization Awareness Month!** We want to showcase all the events, toolkits, and work going on around Pennsylvania for the month of August. Please respond to this email or email [smihailescu@paaap.org](mailto:smihailescu@paaap.org) & let us know!
  - PAIC is looking for four vaccine advocates to highlight during the month of August for NIAM. If you have someone in mind, please let me, [smihailescu@paaap.org](mailto:smihailescu@paaap.org) know!
- **Volunteer as an Immunization Champion!** - PAIC has opportunities for local immunization champions willing to volunteer their time to assist with education and outreach, administrative tasks, and events. Visit <https://www.immunizepa.org/volunteer/> to learn more about what an Immunization Champion is, what we're looking for, and to fill out the interest form and get involved!
- **Join the PAIC board!** If you are interested, please fill out this form on our website: <https://www.immunizepa.org/become-a-board-member/>

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### Partner Updates:

- **Berks Immunization Coalition Table at the Reading Phils!** On August 7th, the Berks IC will be holding a table at the Reading Fightin' Phils game for National Immunization Awareness Month. The table will feature educational handouts, fun giveaway items, and a prize wheel! Bring the family to a fun baseball game and stop by our table to learn about immunizations and our coalition!
- **PA Polio Survivor Network:** they are partnering with Rotary District 7410 to help promote this amazing, family [event](#) on August 14th at the PNC Field on

Montage Mountain Rd in Moosic. "Come join Rotary District 7410 and the Railriders as we continue the 35 plus year effort to rid the world of Polio. A portion of your ticket will be donated to the Rotary Foundation's "PolioPlus" effort, which includes all vaccine preventable diseases, now including COVID". Sun, Aug 14, 1:05 PM, at PNC Field, 235 Montage Mountain Rd Moosic, Pennsylvania 18507

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## Webinars & Upcoming Events

- ACIP will meet on July 19.  
- <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/acip/meetings/index.html>
- **The Adult Vaccine Access Coalition (AVAC) and the COVID-19 Vaccine Education and Equity Project (CVEEP) invite you to join "Improving Vaccine Uptake and Equity"** on Tue, July 19, 2022 at 2:30 PM – 1:30 PM EDT for an engaging discussion among healthcare experts and advocates on the latest in vaccine policy and opportunities to address the need for improved uptake of routine vaccinations among children and adults. [Register here!](#)
- The Moving on Maternal Depression (MOMD) team at Reading Hospital, with the assistance of the Pennsylvania Perinatal Quality Collaborative, conducted an analysis of services within our health system and Berks County to address maternal mood disorders. There are very few professionals with specialized training in therapeutic and pharmacologic care for women with maternal mood and anxiety disorders. **To fill this gap, the MOMD team has arranged for Postpartum Support International to conduct training in Berks County** at the DoubleTree in Reading on September 28, 29 and 30<sup>th</sup>. The training is evidence-based, includes CEs, and prepares clinicians to better support postpartum mothers and identify and manage perinatal mood disorders. See the link for more info about the training/PSI and to register. [Certificate Trainings | Postpartum Support International \(PSI\)](#)
- Immunize.org's National Network of Immunization Coalitions will host a webinar titled [Vaccine Advocate Safety Training](#) at 1:00 p.m. (ET) on Monday, July 25, for vaccine advocates on de-escalation and safety/security techniques that can be used when confronted by hostile activists during public events and online. The skills to be covered will include de-escalation techniques and how to keep yourself safe. Speakers will include Crystal Rommen, LCSW, director, Louisiana Families for Vaccines, and an expert speaker from the Minnesota Fusion Center. [Register for the webinar](#)

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## Toolkits, factsheets, and resources

- [American Academy of Pediatrics and the Children's Hospital Association issue reports reviewing COVID-19 disease and vaccination trends](#) - Drawing on data collected and published by CDC, AAP analyzes progress in vaccinating U.S. children younger than age 18 years in a weekly summary report titled [Children and COVID-19 Vaccinations Trends](#). The report covers the vaccine data available for children age 5–11 years, and the longer-term data for children age 12–17 years.
- [U.S. FDA Approves Merck's VAXNEUVANCE<sup>®</sup> \(Pneumococcal 15-valent Conjugate Vaccine\) for the Prevention of Invasive Pneumococcal Disease in Infants and Children](#) (Merck News Release)
- National Immunization Awareness Month is the month of August, giving organizations and coalitions the opportunity to work together to grab the

public attention on immunizations. CDC's NIAM materials can be found [here](#). Voices for Vaccines NIAM materials can be found [here](#).

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## Vaccine News

### Local News:

- [Pa. got more than 3,000 doses of monkeypox vaccine this week, but access is still limited](#) (Philadelphia Inquirer)
- [Pennsylvania reports first human cases of West Nile Virus](#) (ABC 27)

### National & Global News:

- [CDC Recommends Stronger Flu Vaccine for Seniors](#) (Medscape)
- [The omicron subvariant dominating U.S. COVID-19 cases is more vaccine-resistant](#) (NPR)
- [SHOULD I GET A SECOND BOOSTER?](#) (Skep Doc)
- [As the BA.5 variant spreads, the risk of coronavirus reinfection grows](#) (The Washington Post)
- [COVID-19 Antibodies Rapidly Decline 6 Months After Vaccination](#) (Rheumatology Advisor)

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