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State Immunization Information System

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State Laws

Visit the Immunization Action Coalition for a list of state immunization laws at: www.immunize.org/laws

CHAPTER IMMUNIZATION ACTIVITIES

Partnerships

Recognizing that immunization issues impact all providers, the Hawaii chapter of the AAP has supported an Immunization committee established in 2003 to address immunization issues, such as payment for vaccines, health plan benefits for new vaccines, and immunization registries. The committee works with third party payors to explain the vagaries of delivering vaccine in the private practice setting and barriers to the administration of vaccines. The Chapter is also actively involved with the DOH's efforts to establish a statewide immunization registry (HIREG).

The Chapter works closely with the Hawaii Immunization Coalition and the DOH Hawaii Immunization Branch. These partnerships assisted in successfully defeating anti-thimerosal immunization legislation in 2007 and allowed a venue for immunization providers to have a voice in the development of the immunization registry. The Chapter also worked closely with the DOH in the K-8th grade *Protect Hawaii's Keiki: Stop Flu at School* which recently won the Immunization Excellence Award for Overall 2007-2008 Season Activity awarded by The National Influenza Vaccine Summit (NIVS).

Professional Education

In partnership with the DOH Hawaii Immunization Branch, the Chapter is providing education on adolescent vaccines to pediatricians and immunization providers.

Legislation

In the 2008 legislative session the Chapter provided testimony against legislation requiring proof of informed consent and alternate treatment methods prior to administration of vaccine containing any level of mercury.

2006 National Immunization Survey, estimated vaccine coverage (4:3:1:3:3:1 series) among children aged 19-35 months in Hawaii = 79%

