

MARYLAND

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State Immunization Information System

ImmuNet: A statewide Web-based immunization information system containing over 675,000 immunization records for children and adults in Maryland. The registry is just over a year old and is seeking to expand to more providers. Live demonstrations of ImmuNet are available.
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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

The Maryland AAP Chapter (MDAAP) is working to secure funding from several insurance companies and pharmaceutical companies to promote adolescent immunizations. The MDAAP has previously submitted applications to the Aetna insurance company for a \$50,000 mid-Atlantic region immunization grant, and is currently working with MetLife, The Gerber Foundation, MedImmune, sanofi pasteur, Wyeth and Merck to provide funding for a variety of projects supporting immunization. For example, sanofi pasteur will support the Practice Management Coding Reimbursement seminar with a focus on immunization coding. In addition, the Committee on Pediatric Ambulatory Medicine is conducting Grand Rounds throughout Maryland to promote the use of ImmuNet, Maryland's immunization registry.

State-specific Issues

The MDAAP worked to oppose House Bill 86 - an act banning mercury in vaccines for pregnant women and children under 3. The chapter opposed this legislation based on the proven safety and efficacy of such vaccines. The chapter regularly encourages members to participate in the legislative process to make their opposition heard.

2004 National Immunization Survey, estimated vaccine coverage (4:3:1:3:3 series) among children aged 19-35 months in the United States = 80%

