

## 1. Call Logistics

<b>Item</b>	<b>Monthly Virtual Mtg –PA Statewide HPV/HBV Vaccination Workgroup Meeting Notes</b>
<b>Date</b>	<b>Thursday, January 15, 2026</b>
<b>Time</b>	<b>12noon-1pm</b>
<b>Location</b>	Microsoft Teams Call
<b>Purpose/Focus</b>	PA Statewide HPV/HBV Stakeholders Monthly Discussion/Sharing
<b>Notetaker</b>	Erika Christiansen

## 2. Attendees

Role Call is taken as stakeholders enter the Microsoft Teams Platform (Total of 45 Stakeholders on this call), we ask stakeholders to put their names and organizations in the chat, so everyone can see who all is on the call.

Pam Schauer, Erika Christiansen, Amy Leader, Marie DeLuca, Kate Mastalski, Lynn Laurence, Michelle Fiscus, Paula Novabilski, Tiara Parker, Paula Di Gregory, Susan Radio, Rebecca Landy, Brenda Anastasio, Beth Smith, Sarah Childers-Strawbridge, Jillian Brown, Laura Toole, Lauren Orkis, Allison Gil, Diane McClune, Mandy Dempsey, Stacy Ann Edwards Grant, Emily Howell, Jennifer Forsyth, Judith Rems, Beth Ketchum, Lynn Basilio, Michaela Jackson, Steven Miguel Negron-Candelario, Nyasha George, Patty Hewson, Rebecca Carper, Rishi Sharma, Rolanda McDonald Johnson, Shumethia Seal, Kayla Whalen, Vanessa Wilder, Sudenshna Chatterjee-Paer, Tanika Smith, Helen Hawkey, Todd Gilber, Lindsay Hерmany, M Mozaffarian, Aasta Mehta, JonEtta M Depp, Jacqueline Baker, Margaret Zeller,

## 3. Agenda –SPECIAL 2026 Kickoff meeting (all PA groups) + Gr. Philadelphia Vaccine Collaborative & Lehigh Valley Business Group on Health

### Reoccurring Agenda Format:

- Welcome & new member introductions
- Member Spotlight
- New Business/Resource Sharing
- Open Sharing

## 4. Welcome by Pam Schauer —

- a. Welcome to launch the call
- b. New members: Rebecca Landy, Diane McClune, Shumethia Seal, Lynn Basilio, Steven Miguel Negron-Candelario, Emily Howell, Rishi Sharma, Judy Rems

## 5. Member Spotlight introduction by Dr. Amy Leader –

- a. Dr. Michelle Fiscus – National Vaccine Policy
  - i. Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Updates
    1. September - Eliminated MMRV from schedule for children 12-45 months
    2. December - Voted to remove the universal Hep B dose recommendation

- 3. Also December – Recommended large-scale change to childhood immunization schedule.
  - a. HPV moved to one dose from two doses
  - b. Went from 17 to 11 vaccines recommended
- ii. Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program
  - 1. No changes as of now
- iii. Insurance coverage
  - 1. Some agencies will cover all vaccines recommended prior to the changes
- iv. National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP)
  - 1. Shields vaccine manufacturers from lawsuits and provides compensation to people found to be injured after vaccination.
  - 2. Injury Table – List of injuries associated with each vaccine
    - a. Concern is that autism will be added to the table and claims will bankrupt the VICP
- v. Other “threats”
  - 1. Eliminating combination vaccines/co-administration of vaccines
  - 2. Further changes to immunization schedules
  - 3. Withdrawal of manufacturers from vaccine space
  - 4. Worsening access/vaccination rates
  - 5. Preventable death and illness
- vi. “This is a “blip” and we will get through this!”

- b. Mandy Dempsey – Merck
- i. HPV Vaccine Updates
  - 1. Many countries have adopted a single-dose vaccine recommendation. Technically off-label. Endorsed by the WHO.
  - 2. New recommendation is single-dose, between 11-12 years old.
  - 3. Pros to reducing to 1 dose
    - a. Cheaper than 2 or 3 doses
    - b. Easier to complete the series
  - 4. Cons to reducing 1 dose
    - a. Potential detrimental clinical impacts
    - b. Off-label recommendation
    - c. Unknown impact on overall vaccination rates/confidence
- c. Michaela Jackson - HBV Comments/Opportunities
- i. Upcoming webinar with the PADOH that is focused on hepatitis B and the birth dose
  - 1. Pennsylvania is continuing to universally recommend the HBV vaccine
  - 2. Registration link:  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\\_gJbztt0sQMqEG0zXR3Tkaw](https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_gJbztt0sQMqEG0zXR3Tkaw)

## 6. New Business/Resource Sharing by Pam Schauer –

- a. Pam Schauer – HPV Self-Collection in PA
  - i. Providers able to bill for self-collection
  - ii. JonEtta Depp shared that UPMC will be launching a pilot in Pittsburgh at one of the big Primary Care sites soon. She will share any implementation finding if available.

**7. Open Member Sharing by Pam Schauer —**

**8. Closing by Pam Schauer —**

- a. Our next meeting will be February 19<sup>th</sup>, 2026—Thank you!