

2009 Research Activities

AIM Surveys

Name/Date	Summary	*AIM Recommendation*	Outcome
AIM Vaccine Wastage Project: 7-9/09	Immunization Program documentation of vaccine wastage in order to characterize the events that result in wastage and to demonstrate the frequency and financial impact of these events	Recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Survey results document the impact of vaccine wasted due to improper storage: the calculated value of publicly funded vaccine reported wasted during this 8-week period was \$1,167,781. • AIM intends to use the survey results to request guidance on vaccine stability after improper storage. • Preliminary results were presented to AIM membership and project leads via conference call. State-specific results were shared with individual responding states. • Results will be presented at the Program Managers meeting and have been submitted for presentation at the 2010 NIC.
AIM H1N1 Snapshot Surveys: 6-9/09	Five surveys of program managers to identify grantee needs and expectations related to the H1N1 vaccination campaign.	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These surveys provided timely information on grantee needs and expectations to HHS as policies and procedures were developed to implement the H1N1 vaccination campaign. • Complete results made available to membership on the AIM members only H1N1 planning web page
	<u>Topics include:</u> First doses of LAIV Additional Data Elements Grantee Policy and Law Grantee Planning IIS		

AIM/ASTHO- 2008-09 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Survey: 6/09	Survey of programs to identify the number of remaining 2008-09 influenza vaccines doses and to determine if programs are able to identify adults who have received influenza vaccine	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The information was used to help inform studies looking at the effectiveness of this season's influenza vaccine against H1N1 Results made available to membership on the AIM members only H1N1 planning web page
AIM Section 317 Survey: 3/09	Survey of program managers to determine receipt of 317 vaccine and/or operations awards for 2009 and whether this award estimate is more or less than their 2008 award	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aggregate information was shared with the grantees and CDC to inform the ongoing ARRA funding and 317 discussions As a result of the concerns raised, CDC sent spreadsheets to each grantee showing their 2009 funding comparison to previous years Lance Rodewald presented a chart depicting “over funded” and “under funded” grantees in his 2009 NIC presentation

AIM Collaborations

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University of Michigan H1N1 Simultaneous Tracking Results: 9-12/09	Weekly phone interviews of program managers to investigate progress and challenges related to the H1N1 Vaccination Campaign	NA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results indicate that decisions and strategies varied across programs and were closely related to vaccine supply. Providing weekly data on how implementation was proceeding across project areas was a valuable resource for both state and federal officials. Results made available to membership on the AIM members only H1N1 planning web page, presented at the 2009 Program Managers meeting and one abstract was submitted for 2010 NIC

Emory University Vaccine Center Public Health Preparedness Survey: 9/09	Survey of program managers to investigate the management of vaccine shortages and relationship with health agency preparedness staff	Recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fifty-six percent (36/64) of grantees responded to the survey. Thirty-eight percent of respondents indicated that their jurisdiction did not have enough vaccine during the 2008 Hib shortage to fulfill the 3-dose revised recommendations issued by CDC. To monitor providers adherence to revised recommendations, many tools were utilized: 50% of grantees used their immunization information system (IIS), 26% used phone calls or emails, 29% relied on anecdotal reports, 12% had no way of tracking provider adherence, and 38% used other capabilities. To communicate with providers, grantees found blast faxes, emails and postal mail to be the most effective methods; while posting information to their health department websites, supplying providers with communication materials, and including information in a newsletters were the best ways to communicate with the public. • Results presented at the 2009 Program Managers Meeting and three abstracts were submitted for 2010 NIC
University of South Florida-Moffitt Cancer Center <i>HP- HINTS Hearing Physician's Views: HPV Immunization National Trends Survey:</i> 9/09	Program manager and provider survey to investigate factors for physicians recommending HPV vaccination	Policy questions recommended but opinion questions were not recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invited to present results to membership
NACCHO CDC Hep B Vaccination Initiative Survey: 5/09	Survey of program managers and venues to investigate the 2007 CDC's Hepatitis B vaccination initiative	Recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invited to present results to membership

Survey/Interview Requests

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UNC Chapel Hill Teen Vaccine Study: 1/09	Survey of program managers to investigate minor consent laws and barriers to vaccinating adolescents	Recommended	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results presented to AIM membership in August 2009 and made available to membership on the AIM members only web page
Brown University HPV Vaccination Practices among Juvenile Justice Facilities in the U.S.: 1/09	Survey of program managers to investigate HPV vaccine availability/policy in juvenile correctional facilities	Suggested	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results presented to AIM membership in August 2009 and made available to membership on the AIM members only web page
American Social Health Association State STD Prevention Funding: 11/09	Survey of program managers to investigate state contributions for STD prevention	<i>**No review due to the AIM H1N1 Research Suspension Statement**</i>	

*AIM Recommendation:

- **Recommended-** AIM strongly encourages members to participate in the survey/interview because AIM will have direct benefit.
- **Suggested-** AIM suggests members participate in the survey/interview because we have evaluated the survey/interview questions and find it beneficial and in line with AIM's mission and goals. However, AIM does not necessarily directly benefit from the project.
- **Not recommended-** AIM evaluated the project and we find it is being conducted by a group whose mission and goals are not in line with AIM's, or we find that it is not beneficial to AIM membership.
- **No position** - AIM does not have sufficient information to evaluate the project and members should use individual discretion to participate.

**AIM H1N1 Research Suspension Statement:

"On October 24, 2009, President Obama signed a proclamation declaring the 2009 H1N1 influenza pandemic a National Emergency. The development and implementation of H1N1 vaccination campaigns has placed a tremendous strain on state, local and territorial public health immunization programs. Specifically, the 64 state, territorial and urban area federal immunization grantees are dedicating staff and resources to H1N1 vaccine management and distribution. At this time of critical response to the H1N1 pandemic, AIM recommends that research activities not specifically related to federal immunization grant activities (including surveys and interviews with immunization program managers and staff) be suspended. If you have any questions, please contact the AIM Research Coordinator, Katelyn Wells at 615-469-5486 or aim.research@hotmail.com"