



Week In Review

August 17, 2026

August is National Immunization Awareness Month!

August Quarterly Meeting

When: Thursday, August 27, 2026

Time: 2:00 - 3:30 pm

[Register Here](#)



Communicate to Vaccinate

State of the State 12:40 - 1:10 pm Neil Hockstein, MD Delaware State Surgeon General	Immunization Schedule Changes for Children and Adults 1:10-1:40 pm Stephen C. Eppes, MD Delaware Academy of Medicine & Public Health
Communication About Vaccines 2:00 - 2:50 pm Sean O'Leary, MD, MPH University of Colorado, Denver	Influenza in Delaware 2:50 - 3:40 pm Sarah Czukiewski State of Delaware
Overview of Adult Vaccines & Immunization in Delaware 4:00 - 4:50 pm John O'Neill, DO ChristianaCare	

Webinars

Join the Association of Immunization Managers (AIM) for the **2026 Annual Influenza Update** Webinar on **Friday, August 21**, from 1:00-2:00 pm ET.

Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Et956KQFQOCcMfiExIjHXw

Join the Indiana Immunization Coalition for a webinar on **Thursday, September 3**, from 3:00-4:00 pm EST on **Immigration Vaccine Requirements**.

Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Liyg86V6T3KU1yNEKr2wIw#/registration

Measles 2025

[Nationwide](#) (CDC, 8/13/26)

In 2026:

2,566 Confirmed Cases, 47 Jurisdictions (including **Delaware (22)**, District of Colombia (1), Maryland (17), New Jersey (1), Pennsylvania (280), and Virginia (176))

- 38 new outbreaks reported in 2026
- 2,550 of confirmed cases are outbreak-associated
- 16 cases reported among international visitors
- Vaccination Status

- Unvaccinated/Unknown: 93%
- One MMR Dose: 3%
- Two MMR Doses: 3%

Age	Cases	Hospitalizations
Under 5	497 (19%)	51 (10%)
5-19 years	1,222 (48%)	42 (3%)
20+ years	835 (33%)	76 (9%)
Unknown	12 (< 1%)	0

Johns Hopkins [Measles Tracker](#) and [Dashboard](#): 2,632 cases in 2026

[ICD's Measles Update Page](#) for more granular information.

Delaware Measles Outbreak

The Division of Public Health is now reporting **22 positive measles cases**. The CDC defines an outbreak as three or more cases connected by time and location.

The cases identified to date are all in Kent County

- Adults 20+: 13
- Adolescents 10-19 years: 2
- Children 0-9 years: 7

Read More

- Delaware Declares a [Measles Outbreak](#)
- DPH [measles](#) information page

From the Experts

Worldwide

WHO Disease Outbreaks

August 14 Update: Ebola Disease (Bundibugyo Virus) - DRC

- DRC
 - Sustained transmission within interconnected geographic clusters
 - 4,665 confirmed cases, 2,184 deaths (CFR 46.8%)
 - 6 provinces: Ituri, North Kivu, South Kivu, Haut-Uele, Tshopo, Bas-Uele
 - 54 health zones affected
 - Now the largest Ebola outbreak ever reported in the DRC
 - Aug 3-9: highest weekly number of reported cases (579) and deaths (304)

WHO News

- Strengthening [BVD](#) response through community evidence

- Africa CDC and WHO call for urgent, community-led action to contain [Ebola](#) in the DRC

[CDC Travel Notices](#)

Level 4: Avoid All Travel

- **Ebola Bundibugyo Virus Disease - DRC (Ituri and Nord-Kivu Provinces)**. The CDC recommends avoiding all travel unless traveling for humanitarian aid or emergency response.

Level 3: Reconsider Nonessential Travel

- **Ebola Bundibugyo Virus Disease - DRC (Haut-Uele and Tshopo Provinces)**.

Level 2: Practice Enhanced Precautions

- Ebola Bundibugyo Virus Disease - DRC (provinces not affected by the current BVD outbreak), Uganda
- Chikungunya - Mauritius, French Guiana, Costa Rica
- Malaria - Yemen, Mayotte

Level 1: Practice Usual Precautions

- Diphtheria - Haiti, Sub-Saharan Africa
- Andes Virus (Hantavirus) in South America
- Global - Dengue, Measles
- Vanuatu - Ciguatera Fish Poisoning
- Hepatitis A - Canada

From the CDC

ACIP Meeting ([ACIP](#))

- Next meeting scheduled for October 21-23

COCA Call

- None scheduled.

Emerging Infectious Disease ([EID](#)):

- August 2026: Foodborne and Other Enteric Diseases

FluView Update

- Pediatric deaths reported, total: 191 ([week 31](#))

Health Alert Network ([HAN](#))

- 8/11/2026: Risk of Severe Arboviral Disease in Patients Receiving B Cell-Depleting or Modulating Medications

MMWR Weekly Report (Vol 75, No [31](#))

- Southward expansion of *Ixodes scapularis* (Blacklegged) tick pathogens - Western North Carolina, Nov 2024-Aug 2025
- Notes: Potential infant HIV exposure from donated breast milk received through social media - Santa Clara County, CA - May 2025-Jan 2026

Outbreak List ([CDC](#)):

- August
 - *Salmonella* - linked to Jalapenos
 - *Salmonella* - linked to turtles

Pertussis Outbreak ([CDC Stacks](#)):

- YTD Cases: 7,532
- Delaware Cases: 0

FDA

- FDA approves Moderna's Biologics License Application for its mRNA-based flu vaccine (mRNA-1010, mFlusiva) for adults 50 years and older. Unanimous recommendation from VRBPAC after phase 3 success ([AJMC](#)).

Immunize.org

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- Updated: "Vaccinations Needed During Pregnancy"
- FDA licenses mRNA influenza vaccine (mFlusiva, Moderna)
- 2026 e-book edition of The Vaccine Handbook: A Practical Guide for Clinicians (aka "The Purple Book") by Gary Marshall, available free to download or buy the hard copy
- Video: "Should a newborn who got an RSV antibody in April get another at the start of next season?"

Ask the Experts: [2025-26 Season COVID-19 Vaccination](#)

In the News

- COVID vaccination may have prevented more than 4,000 deaths in one Washington county ([Springer](#))
- Flu vaccines helped prevent US hospitalizations, emergency, and urgent care visits in 2024-25 ([Open Forum ID](#))
- Global rubella cases have dropped dramatically despite 2024 uptick ([CDC](#))
- Organizations hit back at Trump's call to reduce childhood vaccines ([CIDRAP](#))
- Real world studies show RSV immunizations protect newborns in their first year of life ([JAMA Pediatrics](#))
- The State of US Vaccine Policy ([CIDRAP](#))
- Trump's vaccine plan would require millions of individual shots last used decades ago ([AP](#))
- Why do pregnant women turn to Reddit about the Tdap vaccine? Clarity and reassurance ([PLOS GPH](#))

Continuing Education**Helpful Links**

- Center for Unbiased Science & Health: [Evidence-Based Risk Visualization](#) for Measles vaccine vs. disease
- Common Health Coalition: [Vaccine Resources](#)
- Moderna Atlas: [Educational Resources](#)

For Our Members



Shot in the Arm

The Immunization Coalition of Delaware is pleased to offer this opportunity to view “**SHOT IN THE ARM**” – from Academy Award-Nominated filmmaker Scott Hamilton Kennedy and Executive Producer Neil deGrasse Tyson.

This skeptical and hopeful film explores vaccine hesitancy historically and in the context of our modern pandemic. Can we replace cynicism with healthy curiosity and bridge the political divides that make us sick?

Featuring: Tony Fauci, Paul Offit, and Robert Kennedy, Jr.

This film is being offered free of charge for Immunization Coalition of Delaware Members throughout 2026. Please register below to receive login credentials.

[Register](#)

ICD's May Quarterly Meeting

Missed the Quarterly meeting? We've got you covered.

Minutes ([click here](#))

Slide Deck ([click here](#))

2026 ICD Quarterly Meetings

2:00 - 3:30 pm on the fourth Thursday.

- August 27, 2026 ([register](#))
- November 19, 2026 ([register](#))

The meetings will be held on zoom, unless otherwise specified.

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<https://www.immunizedelaware.org/>

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