



Week In Review

September 28, 2026

Webinars

Join AIM's upcoming walk through of their **State Vaccine Legislation Report**. During this 45 minute webinar, AIM staff will unpack key findings from the report, examine thematic and cross-state trends in vaccine-related legislation, and highlight notable policy developments and bill outcomes.

Monday, September 28
12:00 - 1:00 ET

Register here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_ZAPkc9YIRteqS5-MG0pLw#/registration

Join Moderna's upcoming expert-led presentation **introducing mFLUSIVA** (Influenza Vaccine, mRNA), with shared clinical perspectives to support confident vaccine recommendations.

Three Dates Available:

Wed, September 30, 3:30 - 4:30 pm ([register](#))

Thurs, October 1, 12:00 - 1:00 pm ([register](#))

Thurs, October 8, 4:00 - 5:00 pm ([register](#))

Respiratory Viruses

Respiratory Vaccine Effectiveness & Safety

Vaccine Integrity Project (VIP) at the University of Minnesota's Center for Infectious Disease Research and Policy (CIDRAP) and the American Medical Association (AMA) published the results of their independent evidentiary review of respiratory vaccines in JAMA:

[Influenza](#)
[COVID-19](#)
[RSV](#)

Respiratory Vaccine Recommendations

([click here](#))

"Physicians know that patients may have questions about vaccines and are ready to have conversations about why they are important and how they help protect you and your loved ones," Sarah C. Nosal, MD, president of the AAFP board of directors, said in the press briefing. "Staying up to date on vaccines is one of the best ways to keep the country healthy."

Respiratory Virus Immunization Recommendations

ALIGNED WITH EVIDENCE AND GUIDANCE FROM:



	 Influenza (flu)	 Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV)	 COVID-19
 Children and Adolescents 0-18 years	Annual flu vaccine for all children 6 months+	All infants <8 months, if no protection from RSV vaccine during pregnancy and children 8-19 months in certain risk groups	All young children ages 6-23 months and children 2-18 years in certain risk groups or if desired
 Pregnancy	Annual flu vaccine (avoid nasal spray flu vaccine)	One-time RSV vaccine in first eligible pregnancy if 32-36 weeks pregnant, given between September 1 and March 1	Annual updated COVID-19 vaccine
 Adults 19-64 years	Annual flu vaccine for all adults ages 19+	One-time RSV vaccine for adults ages 50-74 at increased risk of severe RSV	Annual updated COVID-19 vaccine
 Older Adults 65+ years	Annual flu vaccine for all adults, high dose for 65+, if possible	One-time RSV vaccine recommended for adults ages 50-74 at increased risk and all adults age 75+	Annual updated COVID-19 vaccine for adults 65+, followed by a second dose 6 months later to boost protection
 Immunocompromised	Annual flu vaccine for those ages ≥6 months (avoid nasal spray flu vaccine)	Single dose of RSV vaccine for those ages ≥18 years and for those ages <18 years, administration should be guided by shared decision making	Annual updated COVID-19 vaccine for those ages ≥6 months
 Healthcare Personnel	Annual flu vaccine	Follow age- and risk-based RSV vaccine recommendations	Annual updated COVID-19 vaccine

Measles 2025

[Nationwide](#) (CDC, 9/24/26)

In 2026:

3,659 Confirmed Cases, 47 Jurisdictions (including **Delaware (23)**, District of Colombia (1), Maryland (51), New Jersey (1), Pennsylvania (850), and Virginia (178))

- 40 new outbreaks reported in 2026
- 3,642 of confirmed cases are outbreak-associated
- 17 cases reported among international visitors
- Vaccination Status
 - Unvaccinated/Unknown: 95%
 - One MMR Dose: 2%
 - Two MMR Doses: 3%
- Deaths: 4* (The CDC is now including 1 deaths in its 2026 total, with a note that reads "This number is subject to change; CDC will update its reporting as additional information becomes available and relevant reviews are completed.").

Age	Cases	Hospitalizations
Under 5	656 (18%)	91 (14%)
5-19 years	1,577 (43%)	63 (4%)
20+ years	1,407 (38%)	173 (12%)
Unknown	19 (1%)	0

Johns Hopkins [Measles Tracker](#) and [Dashboard](#): 3,782 cases in 2026

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

Other News

- Fourth measles death reported in PA; acute disseminated encephalomyelitis ([AP](#))

Delaware Measles Outbreak

The Division of Public Health is reporting **23 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: 8

Read More

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

News

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From the Experts

Worldwide

WHO Disease Outbreaks

September 25 Update: Ebola Disease (Bundibugyo Virus) - DRC

- Further expansion of the outbreak
- 7,890 confirmed cases; 3,799 deaths (CFR 48.1%)
- 6 provinces: Ituri, North Kivu, South Kivu, Haut-Uele, Tshopo, Bas-Uele
- 63 health zones affected
- Number of new cases reported each day remains high; situation varies across the country

WHO News

- Recommendations announced for [influenza](#) vaccine composition for the 2027 southern hemisphere influenza season
- World leaders renew commitment to protect the world from future [pandemics](#)

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

- Global Polio
- Yellow Fever - Colombia
- Ebola Bundibugyo Virus Disease - DRC (provinces not affected by the current BVD outbreak), Uganda
- Chikungunya - Nicaragua
- Zika - Indonesia

Level 1: Practice Usual Precautions

- Hepatitis A - Costa Rica
- Paratyphoid Fever - Yemen
- Diphtheria - Sub-Saharan Africa
- Andes Virus (Hantavirus) in South America
- Global - Dengue, Measles

From the CDC

ACIP Meeting ([ACIP](#))

- Next meeting scheduled for October 21-23

COCA Call

- None scheduled.

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

- September 2026: Fungal Infections

FluView Update

- Pediatric deaths reported, total: 195 ([week 37](#))

Health Alert Network ([HAN](#))

- 9/10/26: Nationwide increase in reported human rabies exposures: Rabies post-exposure prophylaxis administration

MMWR Weekly Report (Vol 75, No [37](#))

- Hepatitis A outbreak associated with Cuba - Florida, June 2024-February 2026
- Notes: The first 100 days of five Ebola outbreaks - DRC, Uganda, and West Africa, 2007-2026

Outbreak List ([CDC](#)):

- September
 - *Salmonella* - Broccoli Sprouts

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

- YTD Cases: 8,933
- Delaware Cases: 0

Immunize.org**Issue [1894](#): September 23, 2026**

- World Rabies Day is September 28
- Measles 2026: Johns Hopkins University reports 3,568 confirmed measles cases in 45 states and DC; 4 have died in PA measles outbreaks
- What does not vaccinating cost?

Ask the Experts: [Influenza, COVID-19, and RSV Immunization for 2026-27 Season](#)***In the News***

- CDC approves [COVID](#) vaccines for vulnerable children after delay
- CDC vaccine policy recommendations grind to a halt under Health Secretary Kennedy ([AP](#))
- FDA nominee says vaccines are safe; fails to explicitly say that Trump was wrong about the MMR vaccine safety ([AP](#))
- Three west-central Florida counties declare states of emergency to battle [dengue](#) fever amid rising cases (and 1 death)
- Two studies find strong [RSV](#) vaccine protection against severe outcomes in older adults

Continuing Education



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	

[Register Here](#)

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](#)
- Quantifying the Health and Economic Costs of Declining Childhood Vaccination: [VaxImpactMap](#)

For Our Members

ICD's August 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 third Thursday.

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

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

Immunization Coalition of Delaware
<https://www.immunizedelaware.org/>

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