

**Rhode Island Department of Health  
Childhood Immunization Coalition  
Minutes of Quarterly Meeting  
June 28, 2012**

**Keynote Speaker: Richard Bungiro, PhD**

**Dr. Bungiro is a faculty member at Brown University in the Department of Molecular Microbiology and Immunology. As a lecturer in Biology he teaches immunology, microbiology and an advanced course in vaccine science.**

**Topic: Vaccine Rejection: The Public Price of Personal Choices (see attached power point presentation).**

**Mark Francesoni, Vaccine Manager reported that:**

**All vaccines are shipping on time with no delays.**

**Flu Vaccine Reconciliation>Returns:**

**The Reconciliation/Return process was opened to all State Supplied Vaccine participants on May 29, 2012. Due to the increased demand of return requests, McKesson is behind schedule. They informed us that their computer system had a glitch and return labels were sent out without the leading 0 (zero) in the practice zip code, hence all the labels were returned to McKesson as undeliverable. McKesson is**

**sending out the corrected labels this week. Due to the holiday, providers should wait until after 7/10 before contacting HEALTH because they have not yet received a return label or scheduled pick up.**

#### **On-Line Ordering System:**

**In preparation for rolling out of the CDC's new vaccine tracking software (VTrckS), HEALTH continues to develop the Ocean State Management of State Supplied Immunizations System (OSMOSSIS). It is our intention to demo the new system in late September, 2012 with rollout beginning in October 2012. Please keep an eye out for an email with state-wide schedule of training dates and locations.**

**The state system is being designed as the portal for providers to place monthly vaccine orders that will be uploaded to CDC software. This system is designed to make it easier to submit orders. The CDC requires all grantees to have some type of on-line ordering system in place by April, 2013 or providers will have to place orders directly through the CDC software, which is very cumbersome and time consuming.**

**We are using the acronym "OSMOSSIS" for the new system. We would welcome any suggestions for a new catchy name for the system. Please send any suggestions to [vaccine@health.ri.gov](mailto:vaccine@health.ri.gov).**

**Peter Holland, MD informed the group about the late –breaking news**

**of the Supreme Court's decision on the Affordable Care Act (ACA).**

**Janet Limoges, KIDSNET provider relations discussed the following:**

**A new KIDSNET report is available that lists immunizations sent to KIDSNET for your patients by other providers or vaccinators, such as the mass immunizers who operated community-based clinics in response to the recent pertussis outbreak. This report is especially helpful during influenza season or when community clinics are conducted. Patients' parents may forget to tell their children's primary care providers about shots they received.**

**Running this report is an easy way to ensure that all of your patient records are complete.**

- 1) Click on Practice Reports in the left navigation menu.**
- 2) Select Report 7: Immunizations Submitted to KIDSNET by Other Providers.**
- 3) Enter From: and to: dates.**

**The To: date will automatically be filled with today's date, but may be changed to another date if desired.**

- 4) The report will include all immunizations that were submitted and added to**

**KIDSNET between the two dates by another provider.**

**For example, a vaccine administered on 4/30/2012 and added to KIDSNET on**

**5/3/2012, would be included in a report with the parameters:**

**Added to KIDSNET: From: 5/01/2012**

**To: 5/31/2012**

**Contact KIDSNET provider relations if you have any questions regarding the report.**

**Congratulations on your retirement!**

**Jackie Ascrizzi, EdM**

**Rhode Island Department of Education**

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**Peter Howland, MD**

**Blackstone Valley Community Health Center**

**Thank You Sandra Ribeiro**

**MERCK**

**For a delicious lunch!!**