Overview

- Pertussis disease
- History of CA school law
- General definitions
- What’s in the new law
- Documentation and assessment forms
- Resources
- Q&A
2010 CA Pertussis (Whooping Cough) Epidemic

2010: most cases reported in over 60 years

- Over 7,200 cases statewide in 2010
- 10 infant deaths
- Cough spreads easily
- Lasts weeks to months
- Missed school days common
States Requiring a Pertussis Booster Shot for Middle School Students

In 2005 combined tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis (Tdап) booster vaccines first became available in the United States. Since then most states have implemented a pertussis booster shot requirement for at least middle school students.
Next Speaker

Eileen Yamada, MD, MPH
Medical Officer, CDPH Immunization Branch
Statutes and Regulations

**Statutes**
Health and Safety Code (HSC)
- Laws
  - Legislature

**Regulations**
CA Code of Regulations (CCR), Title 17
- Rules
  - State Agencies or Departments

NOTE: Both Statutes and regulations are enforceable.
History of California Immunization
Childcare and School Law

- 1961: Polio
- 1967: Measles
- 1972: Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis
- 1980: Mumps, Rubella

Broad regulatory authority to DHS

- 1977: Enforcement, implementation strengthened; Day care added

Hib

- 1991
- 1994
- 1999

Hep b, 2nd measles
7th Grade

- 1991
- 1994
- 1999

Family Childcare


Varicella

- 2001

Hep b 2nd measles
Kindergarten

- 1997
California School Codes and Regulations

The “Blue Book”
Distinguishing the “R”s: Recommendations

• Immunization Recommendations
  ▪ National Recommendations (Guidelines)
  ▪ CA Recommendations (Guidelines)

Not enforceable
Distinguishing the “R”s: Requirements

- Immunization Requirements
  - In statute and regulations
  - State specific

Requirements are enforceable
AB 354 (Arambula) Chapter 434, Statutes of 2010

• Deletes the 7th grade hepatitis B immunization requirement
• Requires pupils to be fully immunized against pertussis (whooping cough)

• 2 Time Periods (Phases)
  ▪ Phase 1: 2011-12 for 7th through 12th grade
  ▪ Phase 2: 2012-13 and ongoing for 7th grade
Phase I: New Pertussis Immunization Requirement

July 1, 2011, through June 30, 2012 (1 yr)

- All students entering or advancing into the 7th through 12th grades required to have proof of a pertussis (Tdap) booster immunization prior to entry: **NO VACCINE NO SCHOOL.**

- Both public and private schools
- Approximately 3 million students
  - High school affected for the first time
Phase II: New Pertussis Immunization Requirement

• July 1, 2012 and ongoing

• Students entering or advancing into the 7th grade only are required to have a pertussis (Tdap) booster immunization prior to entry
Next Speaker

Sandra Jo Hammer, RN, MSN, MPH
Nurse Consultant, CDPH Immunization Branch
School nurses & clerks may be familiar with immunization documentation, assessment forms

3 new forms

- **Tdap (Pertussis Booster) Sticker** (PM 286 S)
- **Personal Beliefs Exemption** (CDPH 8261)
- **Pertussis (Tdap) Assessment of 7-12th Grade Students** (CDPH 8260)
CA School Immunization Record

- aka “Blue Card” (PM 286)
- In every student’s cumulative file
- No specific space to document Tdap
Tdap Sticker (PM 286 S)

- Adhesive sticker
- Complete:
  - Tdap shot date
  - Student’s DOB
  - Check box
  - Name of school staff completing sticker
  - Date sticker completed
  - Student’s name or ID

Tdap (Pertussis Booster) Requirement

Date of Tdap Immunization

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Birthdate

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Check one:

- [ ] Tdap was given on or after 7th birthday. (Td does not meet requirement.)
- [ ] Medical exemption from physician on file.
- [ ] Tdap personal belief exemption affidavit from parent/guardian on file.

School Staff Name ________________________________

Today’s Date ________________________________

Student Name or ID ________________________________

PENDING
Applying Tdap Sticker to Blue Card (PM 286)
Blue Card printed from CAIR, No Sticker Needed!

TDap (Pertussis Booster) Requirement
Date of TDap Immunization: 10/20/2010

Check one:
☒ TDap was given on or after 7th birthday.
☐ Medical exemption from physician on file.
☐ TDap personal belief exemption affidavit from parent/guardian on file.

School Staff Name: ________________________
Today's Date: 12/2/2010

PM 283S

CALIFORNIA SCHOOL

This record is part of the student's permanent record (cumulative for child with that record. Local health departments shall have access to the record).

This record must be completed by school and verified by the student's parent or guardian.

Student Name: LEANNE WILEY __________________________

Name of Parent or Guardian: ____________________________

Telephone: ____________________________
Daytime Nighttime

SEX: M ☐ F ☒

Race/Ethnicity:
☐ White, not Hispanic
☐ Hispanic
☐ Black
☒ Other: UNKNOWN

VACCINE

Polio (OPV or IPV)

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Adolescent Pertussis Booster Vaccine

- **Tdap** = **T**etanus Toxoid, **R**educed **D**iphtheria Toxoid, and **A**cellular **P**ertussis

Note: **DTaP** vaccine is usually given to infants and children through age 6 years
Tdap Vaccines

Two Tdap vaccines available

- **Boostrix** (GlaxoSmithKline)
- **Adacel** (Sanofi Pasteur)
Transcribing from Immunization Records

- Transcribe Tdap vaccination directly from student’s immunization record.
Transcribing Yellow Card Print out from CAIR

IMMUNIZATION RECORD
Comprobante de inmunización

Name: LEANNE WILEY

Birthdate: 6/7/2003
Sex: F

Allergies: 

Vaccine Reactions: 

History of Chickenpox: 

Name of Vaccine: 

Date Given: 

Doctor Office or Clinic: 

Date Next Dose Due: 6/7/2005

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DTP = diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio, hepatitis, meningitis

MMR = measles, mumps, rubella

Hib = Hemophilus influenzae B

Pf 235 (7/6/0)
Exemptions Allowed

• Medical Exemption
  ▪ Allowed by statute and regulations

• Personal Beliefs Exemption (PBE)
  ▪ Allowed by statute and regulations
Medical Exemption

- Physician letter required

- Must specify permanent or Temporary (how long) exemption

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To Whom it May Concern,

John D. Smith cannot receive Tdap vaccine for medical reasons. This is a permanent medical exemption.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jo Johnson, MD
• Pertussis Requirement for Grades 7-12 only (CDPH 8261)

• Legal entitlement in the law; NOT intended as a convenience
PBE Form, as Completed

- Must be signed by parent/guardian
Annual Report Summary Sheet (CDPH 8260)

- Aggregate school reporting form
- Report due Dec 1, 2011
- Reporting to be completed online, using existing CDS#
- Details & instructions TBA
Where to Find New Forms and Stickers

- **Tdap Stickers** and new **PBE form** will be shipped to local health departments in January 2011. (distribution details pending)

- **Report form (CDPH 8261)** will be made available online, when final.
Health Services & School Nursing (page title)

Pertussis (Whooping Cough) Immunization Information about the new pertussis vaccination requirement for students in grades seven through twelve that becomes effective July 1, 2011.
Download flyer for schools, customize contact info

NEW RULE SHOTS BEFORE SCHOOL

7th-12th graders are now required to get a whooping cough shot before starting the 2011-2012 school year

Call your doctor today

ShotsForSchool.org
Need to Know About Pertussis?

Real-life stories of pertussis disease

California Department of Public Health, Immunization Branch
Coming Soon!
ShotsForSchool.org

• To be the main portal for parents and the general public

• Launches February 2011
Next Speaker

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Strategies and Issues to Consider

- **Don’t wait!** Start developing your district and school strategies now

- Think ahead for next year’s school entry packet/enrollment. Use CDPH letter and phone script templates—online

- New students transferring from out-of-state. They Need to comply with CA regulations and 7th Tdap requirement if age appropriate.
Communicate with Parents

- **Up to each school:** How do you want parents to provide kids’ immunization info
  (e.g., mail a copy? send CIR in kid’s backpack?)

- **Contact & involve local PTA:** Discuss how they can help you reach parents before the school year ends in June
Prepare Your Strategy

- **Schools using CAIR**...(Blue cards can be printed for all students.)

- **Larger schools**, may assess each grade level separately

- **Communicate with “feeder” schools** (6th grade & Jr. Highs) to get them ready
Final Wrap-up

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Summary

• New School Tdap requirement begins July 1, 2011
• Start now to plan
  ▪ Informing tools & templates
  ▪ Stay tuned for new ShotsforSchool website
  ▪ New documentation forms (final versions TBA)

• Encourage parents to vaccinate their 7th-12th graders early—don’t wait for the fall rush!
Important Timelines

Now and throughout the 2010-2011 year

- Communicate with parents and students
- Students to see their health care provider and get pertussis (Tdap) vaccine as soon as possible

July 1, 2011

- Law goes into effect for the 2011-12 school year.
- All students 7th through 12th grade must have proof of a Tdap vaccination for school entry.

**NO VACCINE NO SCHOOL.**
June 30, 2012:
• Phase 1 ends (8th-12th grader requirement ends)

July 1, 2012:
• Phase 2 begins; 7th grade pertussis (Tdap) requirement only for 2012-13 school year and annually thereafter
Time for Q&A