



Partnership
FOR CHILD HEALTH



DEAR COLLEAGUES: Due to local responses to COVID-19, immunization coverage for children has decreased to concerning levels, in particular for MMR (required for preschool and kindergarten) and Tdap (required for 7th grade).

We are currently at risk for a Measles epidemic, as well as increasing cases of Pertussis.

It is critical for all of us serving children to urge families to make sure their children are fully immunized. They should call their child health providers to schedule them for a visit—ASAP, if they are behind on their shots.

Attached, please find a flyer announcing a Health Department *Back-to-School Immunization* campaign providing community access to immunizations in several areas in the city.

Also, in collaboration with DCMS, there will be a concerted effort this year to have children vaccinated for Influenza. Please advise all of your clients that because of COVID-19, they and their children will **need** to be immunized against Flu this year.

As always, thanks for all you do for children in our community.