

Elizabeth (Betsy) Rosenblum has been named *Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Childhood Immunization Champion* for California. This annual award, given by the CDC Foundation and the CDC, honors exemplary childhood immunization advocates across the 50 U.S. states, 8 U.S. Territories and Freely Associated States, and the District of Columbia during National Infant Immunization Week (April 26–May 3, 2014). This year, they are recognizing 31 *Champions*.

Recipients of the *Childhood Immunization Champions* award are individuals who work tirelessly to improve the health and lives of young children by ensuring that immunization is a priority. Dr. Rosenblum was nominated by her peers, and selected as a *Champion* among healthcare professionals, community advocates, and other immunization leaders for making a significant contribution to public health in California through her work in children's immunization.

Among Dr. Rosenblum's many achievements, she partnered with public health experts and pharmacists to develop a course called "Thinking Ahead to Your Baby's Vaccines." This free course is offered to expectant parents in her community to provide accurate information in a supportive setting and helps families make informed decisions about immunization before their babies are born. Dr. Rosenblum also served as an advisor to the Immunization for San Diego Kids project, which developed written materials for pregnant women about the importance of immunizing their babies on time.

Elizabeth Rosenblum is an inspiration to all of us who care passionately about children's health in California. We are pleased and honored to congratulate Dr. Rosenblum on this well-deserved award.

To read Dr. Rosenblum's profile on the CDC's website, and to learn more about CDC's *Childhood Immunization Champion Award* program, please visit <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/champions>.