

Tdap Suite of Materials!

We are pleased to announce that **a suite of materials is now available to promote the use of Tdap, the new tetanus booster that also protects against whooping cough!**

Taken together, the items target health care workers, adults, and grandparents. **Check out the items on this page and think of how they may be used in your community.**

Grandparents:

Why Whooping Cough is Serious:

Whooping cough (also known as pertussis) is a contagious disease that can be passed only from person to person. It is very serious for babies and can cause their coughing so much that they cannot breathe. Hundreds of babies are hospitalized each year for whooping cough, and some die from it.

Whooping cough can cause adults or teens to have severe coughing fits that can interrupt or disturb sleep. They can be hospitalized for pneumonia and miss weeks of work at school. Even worse, they can spread whooping cough to the babies at home.

Ways to Protect Yourself and Your Family:

Get Your Tetanus Booster (Tdap)

Everybody in the family should be immunized against whooping cough by getting tetanus booster and the Tdap vaccine that includes a tetanus and diphtheria booster and one pertussis against whooping cough.

Make Sure Your Grandchildren are Up-to-Date on Their Immunizations

Children 18 years of age and older can get the new Tdap booster. Infants and toddlers need four shots against whooping cough, and a booster before starting kindergarten.

Cover Your Cough and Wash Your Hands

Whooping cough is spread by coughing. Banned exposure to your child's mouth when coughing, and to wash their hands often.

Protect yourself. Protect your family. Get Immunized!

Visit www.GetImmunizedCA.org or call the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Phone: 1-877-845-4625

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"Tdap Informing Flyer for Grandparents under 65 years of age"

If you work in a health care setting...

It's time for your tetanus booster!

Now you can protect yourself against whooping cough with your next tetanus booster. There is a new Tdap vaccine recommended for health care workers.

Protect Yourself

Health care workers are nearly twice as likely to get whooping cough (pertussis) as other adults. Whooping cough in adults causes coughing fits. In adults you don't hear the characteristic "whoop" sound babies make when they have the disease. But it can cause vomiting, broken ribs, and pneumonia, and coughing can last for months.

Protect Your Family

If you have a young child, whooping cough can spread to your family even if you don't feel sick. They could become severely ill and miss work or school. Babies have the highest risk of getting sick and can die from whooping cough.

Protect Your Patients

If you catch whooping cough from one patient, you could spread it to another.

Get the new tetanus booster (Tdap) and protect yourself, your family, and your patients against whooping cough.

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"Tdap Informing Flyer for Healthcare workers"

Parents:

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"Tdap Informing Flyer for Parents"

Protect Your Baby...

from **Whooping Cough!**

Why Whooping Cough is Serious:

- Whooping cough (pertussis) can cause babies to stop breathing or to cough so much that they can't breathe. Hundreds of babies are hospitalized each year for pertussis, and some die from it.
- Babies under 6 months of age are at highest risk of getting sick. They often catch whooping cough from parents and other family members.

Ways to Protect Your Baby:

- For protection, your baby needs 3 DTaP shots by 6 months of age to prevent whooping cough.
- Since whooping cough is spread by coughing, keep your baby away from anyone with a cough.
- To help stop the spread of pertussis to babies, parents and other family members can get the new Tdap shot to protect themselves from pertussis (and tetanus).
- All everyone in your house to cover their mouths when coughing to avoid their hands often!

PROTECT YOUR BABY. PROTECT YOUR FAMILY. GET IMMUNIZED!

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"Protect Your Baby from Whooping Cough!"

Updated and available for download only in PDF format at: www.dhs.ca.gov/ps/dccdc/izgroup/shared/education/tdap.htm

Check Your Vials:

Tdap: (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) **Preteens - Adults**

DTaP: (diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis) **Infants - Young Children**

Td: (tetanus, diphtheria)

With the new Tdap vaccine, pertussis protection is available for preteens and adults up to age 64. Carefully check your vaccine label to be sure that you give the right vaccine to the appropriate age groups.

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"Check Your Vials Flyer"

Tetanus Prophylaxis in Wound Management

The new Tdap (tetanus, reduced diphtheria and pertussis) vaccine is recommended for wound management in **adolescents and adults.**

History of Previous Tetanus Immunization	Clean, Minor Wounds	All Other Wounds
Uncertain or fewer than 3 doses	Give Vaccine	Give Vaccine and TIG*
3 or more previous doses	No Need to Vaccinate Unless > 10 years since last dose	Give Vaccine If > 5 years since last dose

Vaccine history for the following age groups:

Age of Patient	Immunization
< 7 years old	DTaP
7-10 years old	Tdap

Footnotes:

* All other wounds can include: wounds contaminated with dirt, feces, soil, and saliva; puncture wounds, avulsions, and wounds caused by lacerations, crushes, burns, and frostbite.

* Tetanus Immune Globulin (TIG). The recommended dose is 0.5 mL of tetanus immune globulin (20 units/mL intramuscularly) when both tetanus vaccine and TIG are administered, use separate syringes and separate injection sites.

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"Wound Management Flyer"