



Special Issue: 2010 Fall Regional Conference Award Winners

VFC providers receive awards at fall conferences

The MDCH Division of Immunization recognized thirty Vaccines for Children (VFC) physician offices for their successful efforts immunizing patients. Those practices that were given awards have an immunization coverage level at or above 80% for 4 doses of DTaP, 3 doses polio, 1 MMR, 3 doses of Hib, 3 doses of HepB, varicella immunity and 4 doses of PCV for their 19-36 month-old population. The Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) is used for the assessment of coverage levels within Michigan.

Certificates were presented to staff in attendance at the fall 2010 Michigan Regional Immunization Conferences. The practices were chosen based on the following; 1) coverage level percentage at or above 80% at the time of the previous VFC/AFIX site visit conducted by the local county health department immunization staff; 2) the practice had staff registered to attend one of the Michigan Regional Immunization Conferences; 3) coverage level percentage was at or above 80% at the time of the conference presentation.

Please note: It was a difficult task to identify specific practices registered for the conferences. It was found that often a staff member, when registering for the conference, would use an abbreviation or the physician name for the work location/organization, instead of using the actual formal name of the specific practice. Therefore, it is assumed that there may have been some staff in attendance at the conferences that work for a practice that met the coverage level criteria for the award, however due to the inability to recognize the specific practice, a certificate could not be created and presented. Before next fall, the 2011 fall conference planning committee will find a method to improve the identification of practices' names.

Congratulations to the following practices for their outstanding efforts to protect the health of their patients.

Coalition in need of funds for the 2011 AIM Kit

The AIM Provider Tool Kits are made possible through the generous donations of a number of Michigan-based health care organizations. The sponsors' names are included on the AIM home page at www.aimtoolkit.org.

In the past couple of years, the kit has lost some sponsors. Therefore, additional sponsors are being sought for the 2011 AIM Kit. Please contact Caryl Markzon CMarkzon@sms.org for information on how your organization can become a sponsor of the 2011 AIM Toolkit.

The AIM Coalition hopes to have the 2011 AIM Kits completed in early spring. Their goal is to have 4,000 AIM Kits printed for 2011, but the project is in need of funds. The Coalition's ability to have a print version of the AIM Kit is dependent upon its ability to raise the needed funds. Please contact Caryl Markzon today to see how your organization can become a sponsor. (Please note that no state funds are used for the AIM Kits.)

2010 AIM Outstanding Achievement Awards

The AIM Outstanding Achievement Award recognizes individuals, community groups, or corporations whose work has demonstrated one or more of the following characteristics: 1) consistently contributed to raising and improving immunizations; 2) provided outstanding and recognizable improvement in the immunization process; or 3) promoted the cause of immunizations by involving providers and communities in immunization programming.

During the fall 2010 conferences, the MDCH Division of Immunization recognized the winners of the 2010 AIM Outstanding Achievement Awards. Julie Lantz, Mason Family Practice, Sparrow Health System, won under the category of Individual Winner. Holland Pediatrics Associates received the award for Organizational Winner. Thanks to all who submitted nominations. Please be sure to nominate deserving individuals and organizations for the 2011 AIM Outstanding Achievement Awards.

Award Winners at the 2010 Michigan Regional Immunization Conferences

Advantage Health NE Plainfield, Grand Rapids
Bronson Rambling Rd Pediatrics, Portage
Carson Family Care Center, Carson City
Children Medical Group, Bay City
Children's Medical Group, Saginaw
Cornerstone Lakeview Pediatrics, Macomb
Cornerstone Lakeview Pediatrics, St Clair Shores
Downriver Pediatric Associates, PC,
Brownstown Township
Family Health Center of Battle Creek
Grand Traverse Children's Clinic

Greenville Family Care Center
Holland Pediatrics Associates
Kidz 1st Pediatrics, Rochester Hills
Macomb Pediatric Associates, PC, Clinton
Township
Dr David Mandy, Macomb
Marquette Medical Clinic, Escanaba
Mason Family Practice, Sparrow
Medical Arts Pediatrics, Mt Pleasant
MGHP Westshore Family Medicine, Muskegon
MMPC Century Lane Pediatrics, Holland

MMPC Pediatrics, Grand Rapids
MSU KCMS Family Med, Kalamazoo
MSU KCMS Med Peds, Kalamazoo
MSU KCMS Peds, Kalamazoo
Pediatric & Adolescent Specialists, Carson City
Port City Pediatrics, Muskegon
ProMed Pediatrics Woodbridge, Portage
Sparrow Medical Group North, E. Lansing
Sterling Area Health Center
Western Michigan Pediatrics, Jenison

2010 Fall Regional Conference Award Recipients



Troy - Nov. 16



E. Lansing - Nov. 12 - AIM Award



Marquette - Oct. 14



Grand Rapids - Oct. 5

E. Lansing - Nov. 12



Dearborn - Nov. 17



Bay City - Oct. 26

Kalamazoo - Oct. 6 - AIM Award



Gaylord - Oct. 12



Kalamazoo - Oct. 6