Title of Intervention and Website: The Immunization Project

Intervention Strategies: Environments and Policies, Provider Education, Individual Education

Purpose of the Intervention: To improve immunization rates and improve the standard of immunization practices throughout the community

Population: Children and their parents

Setting: Public schools in urban, inner-city Cincinnati, Ohio; school-based

Partners: School district, health care facilities

Intervention Description:
- Environments and Policies: If a parent was unable to take his or her child to a health care provider for immunizations, the school nurse would give the immunizations at school at no cost.
- Provider Education: Mailers are sent out annually to physicians to update them on the annual immunization schedule and current immunization information.
- Individual Education: Parents received up-to-date vaccine information sheets to provide information about the disease, vaccine, risks involved, possible adverse reactions and where to go for more information.

Theory: Not mentioned

Resources Required:
- Staff/Volunteers: Health care providers, school nurses
- Training: Not mentioned
- Technology: Computer and printer
- Space: Immunization space
- Budget: Not mentioned
- Intervention: Vaccines, educational materials
- Evaluation: Access to immunization records

Evaluation:
- Design: Case study
- Methods:
  - Audits of school records measured immunization compliance.

Outcomes:
- Short Term Impact: Not measured
- Long Term Impact: Analysis showed improved immunization compliance rates.

Maintenance: Not mentioned

Lessons Learned: The school-based immunization project has eliminated many of the barriers that previously hindered efforts to achieve better immunization compliance and also has prevented lengthy exclusions from school.

Citation(s):