


Increasing Vaccination Rates in Noel, Missouri

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The Providers Perspective

- ▶ Managed care
- ▶ Health departments are cutting back on staff and hours of availability
- ▶ Must establish relationships with those who lead VFC programs and vaccinations in your clinic; encouragement for further education
- ▶ Let those you entrust do their job.
 - ▶ Don't try to micro-manage your staff
 - ▶ Be there for collaboration
 - ▶ Empowerment leads to problem solving and autonomy

You need to be aware of what others are doing, applaud their efforts, acknowledge their successes, and encourage them in their pursuits. When we all help one another, EVERYBODY wins - Jim Stovall

Welcome to the United States

- ▶ 3 main cultures
 - ▶ Differences in cultures
- ▶ Similarities in culture and their view of health care available to them and especially to their children
 - ▶ School



How is our approach different?

- ▶ We do not wait for "well child" visits to immunize
 - ▶ We used to do this. It's important to make sure your team members are on the same page
- ▶ Review the daily schedule prior to the provider visiting with the patient. You should know if the patient is UTD or needs vaccines.
 - ▶ It is imperative to be on top of this daily.
- ▶ Provide education to parents
- ▶ First things the parents will want to know is the COST.
 - ▶ Private insurance problems
- ▶ Will need for school
- ▶ Provide support to parents
 - ▶ they did not "warn" their child and they don't want their child to cry
- ▶ Reminders are mailed(not great source for us) 2-3 families in one household is not uncommon.
- ▶ Documentation is NOT fun for us but...

FACTS

According to the CDC Strategies for High Immunization Levels:

"record keeping, reminder and recall to patients, reduction of missed opportunities and reduction of barriers to immunizations"

are some of the key components to increasing the vaccination rates. We use these components along with others to strive for not only the health of individuals but for the overall health of our community.

Reference

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