American Academy of Pediatrics



Georgia Chapter

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Dear Healthcare Leader,

Participate in the Chapter HPV Immunization Quality Improvement (QI) project and learn how to:

- Effectively implement the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) schedule to provide the best care for every child every time
- Improve office workflows
- Use GRITS registry to effectively manage and increase your immunization rate
- Reduce missed opportunities

The Georgia Chapter, American Academy of Pediatrics would like to invite you to participate in the HPV Immunization Quality Improvement Project. The project is led by our chapter office and will provide tools, resources, and technical support to lead a quality improvement effort amongst 10 practices.

The goal of the project is to increase patients receiving one or more doses of HPV, increase HPV series completion rates, and reduce missed opportunities. Rates should meet or exceed national averages (National Immunization Survey.) This will be done using the HPV Immunization Quality Improvement tools (Presumptive statement) and resources from the AAP Champion Toolkit.

This project will use GRITS/CoCASA to determine which patients are coming due or past due for a HPV Immunization. Offices will use this list to schedule appointments for patients. Once patients are in the office the providers will use the HPV QI training, conducted during learning session I, to incorporate presumptive statements in communication with patients and parents.

Participating practices will work with a multi-disciplinary "core QI team" of clinical and administrative staff from their office to improve immunizations rates. The practice team will be responsible for:

- 1. Form a core team with at least three members, (one member is asked to commit to be the day-today team contact):
 - A physician leader;
 - A nurse, nurse practitioner or medical assistant; and
 - A practice manager or administrator
- 2. Complete the work outlined in the HPV QI Immunizations Pre-Work Packet collecting baseline rates.
- 3. Core QI team members should participate in each of the two webinar learning sessions. Specifically, the physician leader must participate.
- 4. Attend monthly conference calls with other participating practices to review data and share best

practices.

- 5. At a minimum, the core team must meet twice a month to plan and carry out tests of change.
- 6. For coaching purposes, participating providers should be willing to discuss their individual performance data with the practice physician leader and chapter leadership team.

The months for each learning sessions are as follows:

| Session # | Month |
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| Learning Session I (webinar) | July 2018 |
| Learning Session II (webinar) | October 2018 |
| EPIC HPV Presentation (on-site meeting) | Oct Dec. 2018 |

The first 10 practice teams enrolled will be accepted to participate in the project. If we have reached the maximum of 10 enrolled teams you will be notified immediately!

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Please contact **Shanrita McClain, HPV Immunization QI Project Manager** at (404) 881-5054 or <u>smcclain@gaaap.org</u> if you have additional questions. Practice recruitment will end in **June 15, 2018**.

Sincerely,

Georgia Chapter AAP, HPV Immunization QI Team