Join us at the 24th Annual Massachusetts Adult Immunization Conference to support statewide efforts to increase adult immunization rates in the Commonwealth. The conference will be at the Sheraton Framingham Hotel & Conference Center from 8:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

We’ll feature the latest recommendations for immunization and evidence-based strategies to reduce health disparities in high-risk populations. The recent epidemiology of vaccine-preventable diseases (VPD) and outbreaks — such as hepatitis, meningitis, and measles — will also be reviewed.

PLENARY SESSIONS

MORNING PLENARY A

National Update, What’s New in Adult Immunization? Recommendations, Coverage, and Policy Musings

Dr. David Kim, MD, MA, CAPT, U.S. Public Health Service, Deputy Associate Director for Adult Immunization, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

Adults should be current on routine vaccinations to reduce their risk for illness, disability, and death from vaccine-preventable diseases. During this presentation, we’ll discuss updates in adult vaccination recommendations and coverage rates, and recent publications and developments in adult immunization with policy implications.

MORNING PLENARY B

Massachusetts Update, Vaccine-Preventable Outbreaks, Immunization Coverage, Partnerships, and Initiatives

Dr. Larry Madoff, MD, Medical Director, Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, MA Department of Public Health
Dr. Susan Lett, MD, MPH, Medical Director, Immunization Division, MA Department of Public Health
Sarah Wright, MA, Senior Program Manager, American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists

AFTERNOON PLENARY

Improving Immunization Coverage in High-Risk Populations to Reduce Health Disparities

Dr. Elisa Choi, MD, FACP, Governor, MA Chapter, American College of Physicians, Massachusetts Chapter; Faculty, Harvard Medical School

A discussion of various clinical scenarios of high-risk populations for which heightened efforts to provide immunizations can help reduce health disparities. The pathology and epidemiology of infections that may arise in these populations will also be discussed.
CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

- Summarize the latest adult immunization recommendations.
- Describe ways to improve immunization coverage in high-risk populations to reduce health disparities.
- Describe current trends in vaccine-preventable disease epidemiology and list two key control measures.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDIT

The Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, Massachusetts Department of Public Health is accredited by the Massachusetts Medical Society to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Massachusetts Medical Society through the joint providership of the Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, MA Department of Public Health and the MA Chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.

The Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, Massachusetts Department of Public Health, designates this Live activity for a maximum of 4.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Segments of this program meet the criteria of the MA Board of Registration in Medicine for Risk Management study and qualifies for RM credits; MIIS Workshops qualify for 1.0 RM credits.

This program has been offered by the Bureau of Infectious Disease and Laboratory Sciences, Massachusetts Department of Public Health. A maximum of 4.75 contact hours for this program will be provided in accordance with the regulations governing continuing education requirements for the following Boards of Registration:

- Board of Registration in Nursing (CMR 244 5.00),
- Board of Registration of Social Workers (258CMR 31.00 et seq),
- Board of Mental Health Professions (262CMR 7.00),
- Board of Certification of Health Officers (241CMR 4.03)
- Board of Registration of Sanitarians (255CMR 5.02).

Pharmacists may receive up to 4.75 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™ in accordance with 247CMR 4.00.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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7:30-8:45 AM

REGISTRATION, BREAKFAST, EXHIBITS, NETWORKING

8:45 AM

Welcome and Introductory Remarks

9:00 AM


10:15 AM

Networking Break/Exhibits

10:30 AM

Morning Plenary B: Massachusetts Update, Vaccine-Preventable Outbreaks, Immunization Coverage, Partnerships, and Initiatives

11:30 AM

Question and Answer Session

12:00 PM

Lunch and Awards

1:15 PM

Afternoon Plenary: Improving Immunization Coverage in High-Risk Populations to Reduce Health Disparities

2:15 PM

NETWORKING BREAK/EXHIBITS

2:30 PM

Afternoon Sessions

2019 Massachusetts Adult Immunization Conference
A. Vaccine-Preventable Diseases

*Speakers:*

**Lindsay Bouton, MSc, Epidemiologist, Epidemiology Division, MA Department of Public Health**

**Nancy Harrington, Epidemiologist, Epidemiology Division, MA Department of Public Health**

Effective control of vaccine-preventable diseases requires cooperation and teamwork among healthcare providers, local boards of health, schools, laboratories, and other partners. This interactive workshop will include a general overview of infectious disease surveillance, reporting, and control measures, with an emphasis on hepatitis A, measles, and other vaccine-preventable diseases.

B. Introduction to the Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS)

*Speaker:*

**Christine Bradley, MA, Lead Trainer, MA Immunization Information System, Immunization Division, MA Department of Public Health**

The Massachusetts Immunization Information System (MIIS) is the official source of immunization data for the Commonwealth. In this session, you will learn the features and benefits of the MIIS as well as understand providers’ legal responsibilities for reporting immunization data. An MIIS team member will describe new functionality, give an update to the statewide rollout, and address commonly asked questions. (This session qualifies for 1.0 RM credits)

C. Adult Immunization 101

*Speaker:*

**Katie Reilly, MPH, MSN, RN, PHNA-BC, Immunization Nurse Manager, Immunization Division, MA Department of Public Health**

New to vaccination or just looking for a review? In this session, you will learn about the principles of vaccination, required documentation when administering vaccines, how to screen patients for contraindications and precautions to vaccines, vaccine safety, and how to report vaccine-adverse events. The adult immunization schedule will also be reviewed.

D. Refugee Health Care on the Continuum: The Case of Massachusetts

*Speakers:*

**Sergut Wolde-Yohannes, Ed M, MPH, Coordinator Direct Services, Division of Global Populations, MA Department of Public Health**

**Zakaria Ahmed-Gas, Coordinator, Refugee Health Assessment Program, Division of Global Populations, MA Department of Public Health**

U.S.-bound refugees receive medical screening before and after their arrival in the country. As part of their initial resettlement in Massachusetts, refugees receive medical screening through the Refugee Health Assessment Program (RHAP), within 90 days of their arrival. This workshop will provide a general overview of overseas refugee medical examination and domestic comprehensive refugee health assessment processes, potential service challenges, and the continuum of refugee health care in Massachusetts.
WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This conference is for all medical and public health professionals interested in:

• Recent changes to the immunization schedule
• Evidence-based strategies to improve adult immunization rates
• Networking opportunities to build and maintain partnerships

INTERESTED IN EXHIBITING AT THE CONFERENCE?

You are invited to reserve an exhibit table now!

Benefits include visibility at the premier statewide conference.

For more information contact Alexandra Burke at Alexandra_burke@jsi.com or (617) 385-9485.

DIRECTIONS, PARKING, AND LODGING

For directions to the Sheraton Framingham Hotel & Conference Center, please call 508-879-7200, or visit the hotel website at: https://bit.ly/2JzqB7l

Parking is free. If you are interested in staying at the hotel, please check rates on the hotel website.

THE MASSACHUSETTS ADULT IMMUNIZATION COALITION (MAIC)

MAIC is a collaborative partnership dedicated to increasing adult immunization through education, networking, and sharing innovative and best practices. To learn more and to become a member, visit a member, visit http://maic.jsi.com.

FEEDBACK FROM THE 2018 MASSACHUSETTS ADULT IMMUNIZATION CONFERENCE:

“Excellent speakers. Topics relevant to all practice areas.
Knowledgeable speakers and engaging workshops.”

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