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Citywide Immunization Registry, New York City Department of Health

We help you call the shots!

Introducing the New Citywide Immunization Registry Website

nyc.gov/health/cir

The CIR is proud to introduce its new website. Visit us at www.nyc.gov/health/cir and you'll have quick and easy access to CIR services and information.

Here are just a few of the many features available to providers on the website:

● **Registry Services:** Are you aware of all the CIR services available to you? Go to the Registry Services section of our website and see what is offered.

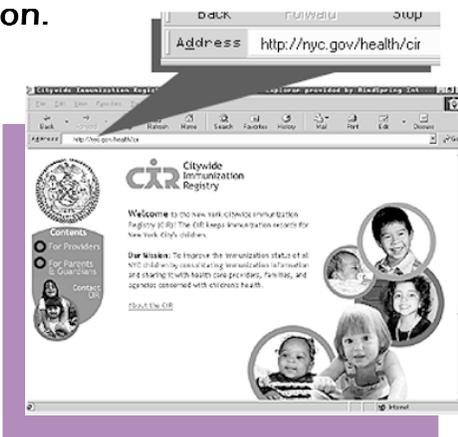
● **How to Report:** Learn the different methods available to you for reporting immunizations to the CIR.

● **Forms:** Do you need new forms? Just choose the form(s) you need, select, click and print for immediate use.

● **Facility Site Security:** Interested in using the CIR Online? Find out what you need to know in order to access your patients' records from your personal computer.

● **Feedback:** Your feedback is important to us. Please stop by our website and fill out the online feedback form.

● **Related Information:** For your convenience, we have provided you with links to a few informative and useful websites.



Don't forget to let parents know about the CIR's new website.

Now parents can request their child's record directly from us. All the information and forms they need to obtain an official copy of their child's immunization record are now available on our website.

Send
parents
to us!

We offer parents (or guardians) a free, official copy of their child's immunization record. Alert parents to this service. Call 212-676-2323 for copies of our new parent brochures and poster.



Dr. Sharon Zheng

Since Dr. Zheng and her staff started reporting online over 6 months ago they have become one of the CIR's most consistent reporters. According to Lisa Li, Dr. Zheng's secretary, the office reports immunizations almost everyday, whenever they vaccinate children. Lisa said she finds the online reporting system, "very easy to use."

Dr. Zheng immunizes 10-15 children per week. When her staff is unable to find a record in the system, they immediately fill out a paper form for that child. Furthermore, Dr. Zheng not only uses the system to report new immunizations given, but also to print out records, when parents forget to bring their child's yellow card.

The CIR staff thanks Dr. Zheng and her staff for their efforts and continued support of the Registry.



Dr. Zheng and Lisa Li

Park Health Center

At Park Health Center, the staff is committed to providing comprehensive preventive health care to their patients. This commitment includes reporting consistently to the CIR.

Staff at the Center began reporting over three year ago, using paper reporting forms.

This past April, the office began using CIR's online reporting system, and they are very pleased with the results. Carol Hannibal, Medical Assistant, who enters the immunizations into the computer, said that "the system is excellent. It's very easy to use." The staff uses the system not only to input data, but also to do look-ups of patients that come in without their yellow card.

Winnie Hallex, PA, discussed why the system is so important to their work: "we see a lot of foster care kids who don't have their



L-R: Carol Hannibal, Medical Asst., Winnie Hallex, Physicians Asst., Dr. Eugene Trainin

[immunization] records. It's great that we can look up their shots." Her only disappointment is that more doctors and facilities don't send in their information, and that they are unable to find all of their patients'

records. The staff finds it helpful that the online Registry alerts them to when the next shots are due for every patient they look up.

The CIR staff would like to thank the dedicated and enthusiastic staff at the Park Health Center for all of their hard work and continued commitment to keeping New York City's children healthy.

Free Training at Your Offices!

Have our staff train yours in reporting and retrieving Registry immunization records via personal computer and modem. Simply call us at 212-676-2323.

Let us help you beat the back-to-school rush!

Give official CIR immunization records to all patients! Call 212-676-2323 for free copies of your patients' immunization records.

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