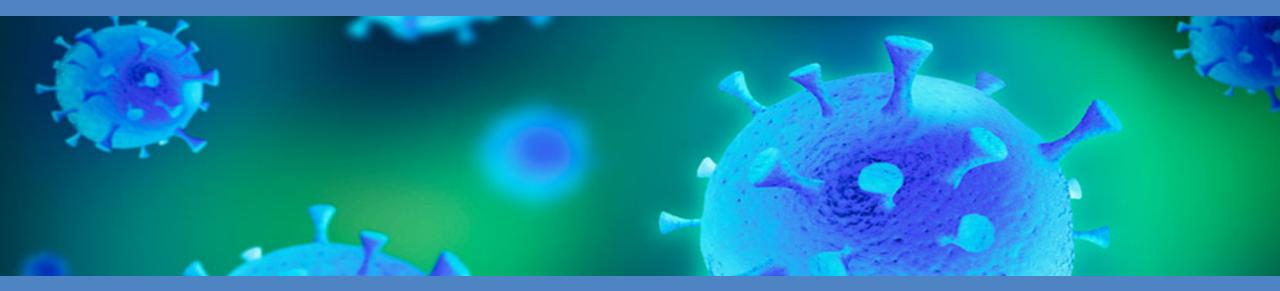
VCHIP / CHAMP / VDH COVID-19 UPDATES



Wendy Davis, MD FAAP - Senior Faculty, Vermont Child Health Improvement Program, UVM Breena Holmes, MD FAAP – VCHIP Senior Faculty & Physician Advisor, MCH Division, VDH October 26, 2020









Technology Notes

1) All participants will be muted upon joining the call.

If you dialed in or out, unmute by pressing #6 to ask a question (and press *6 to mute).

Presenters: Please avoid the use of speakerphone and make sure your computer speaker is muted if you dialed in via phone.

2) To ask or respond to a question using the *Chat* box, type your question and click the *p* icon or press Enter to send.

Chat (Everyone)	≣∗
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- Celebrating National Pumpkin Day
 Worldwide Howl at the Moon Night
- Reminder: weekly event schedule
 - VCHIP/CHAMP/VDH calls: Mon/Wed/Fridays; Governor's Media Briefings Tues/Fri; VMS call with Commissioner Levine Thursday
- □ Situation, VDH (schools!), CDC updates
- Practice Issues: *Immunization Program Update & Stay Safe VT COVID-19 Harm Reduction Campaign* Q & A, Discussion



[Please note: the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve very rapidly –

so the information we're providing today may change quickly]



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Situation update





DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

B days until Election Day! #VoteKids

- 59+ million ballots cast to date
- □ U.S.: 8.7 million+; 225,158 deaths
 - https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2020/us/coronavirus-uscases.html (updated 10/26/20)
 - Past week: av. 69,814 cases/day (increase of 32% from average 2 weeks ago)
 - 1.1 million+ deaths worldwide

□ VDH Weekly Data Summary (10/16/20):

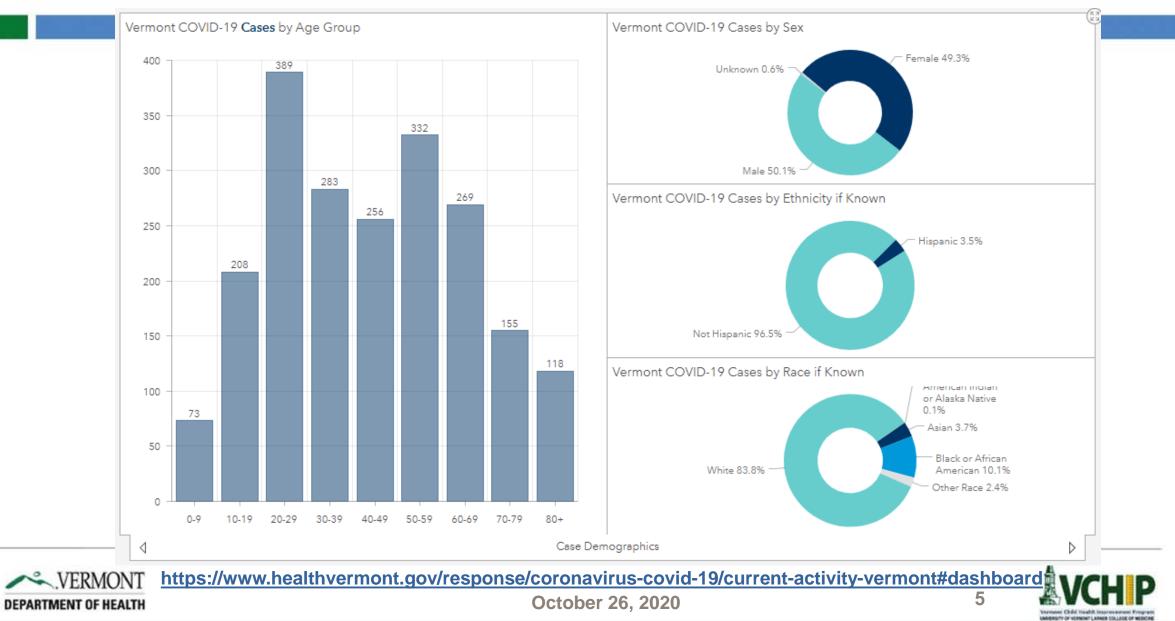
- https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/ COVID19-Weekly-Data-Summary-10-23-2020.pdf
- Overview, demographics, clinical, outbreaks, surveillance.
- Weekly Spotlight Lab Reporting: how the Health Department receives COVID-19 testing results from laboratories.



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Situation update



VDH Updates	School Name Schools with less than 25 students are reported in the "Total of All Suppressed Schools" row at the end of the table.	Current Cases	Recovered	Total Cases	
	TOTAL FOR ALL SCHOOLS	2	11	13	
	ABC ACADEMY	0	0	0]
- Varmont School Based COV/ID	10 Transmission (deabl	hoord	`	•	`

Current, Recovered and Total Case Counts

- Vermont School Based COVID-19 Transmission (dashboard)
 - https://www.healthvermont.gov/sites/default/files/documents/pdf/COVID19-Transmission-Schools.pdf
 - Previously updated Monday w/data through previous Friday; starting this week, update will now be posted Tuesday
 - Case update: almost one new case per day in staff/students; almost all **adults**
- \square In the news:
 - Derby Elementary School: closed today, remote learning this week
- VT College & University dashboards:
 - https://dfr.vermont.gov/about-us/covid-19/school-reopening

St. Michael's College: 26 cases, 137 contacts. Moving to all on-line learning.

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Summary: School Guidance Changes (slide 1/3)

Revised School Guidance now available – Highlights:

https://education.vermont.gov/documents/guidance-strong-healthy-start-health-guidance

- Clarifications and emphasis on quarantine guidance for out-of-state travel
 - Added the requirement of a daily travel screen for staff and students
- Clarity around return-to-school after illness, including links to the return-to-school algorithm and parent guidance
- Clarification on cleaning schedule when an individual is sent to the isolation room, as well as cleaning of the isolation room
- Clarification on factors the Health Department will use in making recommendations when there is a case of COVID in school
- □ Added winter weather considerations for buses and transportation
- □ Added recommendations for seating charts in the school bus, cafeteria, classrooms
- □ Added link to guidance on mask exemptions





Summary: School Guidance Changes (slide 2/3)

Highlights and incorporation of supplemental guidance as prev. published in AOE FAQs:

- Clarified guidance on cleaning and disinfecting, including accidental large volume spills or body fluids.
- □ Added guidance on the use of plexiglass/plastic barriers
- Clarified guidance on shared materials and lockers
- Younger students for the purposes of physical distancing requirements is now defined as students in PreK through Grade 6
- Clarified guidance on <u>minimum</u> physical distancing requirements for younger and older students
- Clarified guidance on performance arts
- □ Added new guidance on physical education
- □ Added new guidance on driver education (as published in the AOE FAQ)
- Added new guidance on the public use of school facilities (as published in the AOE FAQ)





Summary: School Guidance Changes (slide 3/3)

Highlights and incorporation of supplemental guidance as prev. published in AOE FAQs:

- □ Added new guidance on indoor field trips
- Clarifications on isolation space
- □ Additional guidance on HVAC requirements
- □ Additional guidance on the use of cafeterias in Step III
- Explanation on the use of 6-feet to determine close contacts for the purposes of contact tracing, as well as additional instruction for schools for contact tracing
- □ Additional resources for schools from the Health Department and CDC







School and Childcare Branch requests for Primary Care Colleagues

- Stay open and available for testing children who are identified as close contacts or need to get out of quarantine, as well as symptomatic children
- Trust the Health Department's process for contact tracing and decisions about who is close contact to a person with COVID
- Follow the pediatric algorithm for return to school after illness processes
- Follow quarantine guidance after your patients travel to yellow/red zones
- Call the Health Department if you are unsure of travel rules or have any other questions

From the CDC

- MMWR this week (10/23/20 selected contents) <u>https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/pdfs/mm6942-H.pdf</u>
 - Vaccination Coverage by Age 24 Months Among Children Born in 2016 & 2017 National Immunization Survey-Child, United States, 2017–2019
 - Mitigating COVID-19 Outbreak Among Major League Baseball Players United States 2020
 - Race, Ethnicity, and Age Trends in Persons Who Died from COVID-19 United States, May–August 2020
 - Excess Deaths Associated with COVID-19, by Age and Race and Ethnicity United States, January 26–October 3, 2020
 - Association Between Social Vulnerability and a County's Risk for Becoming a COVID-19 Hotspot — United States, June 1–July 25, 2020







Practice Issues

Immunization Program Update

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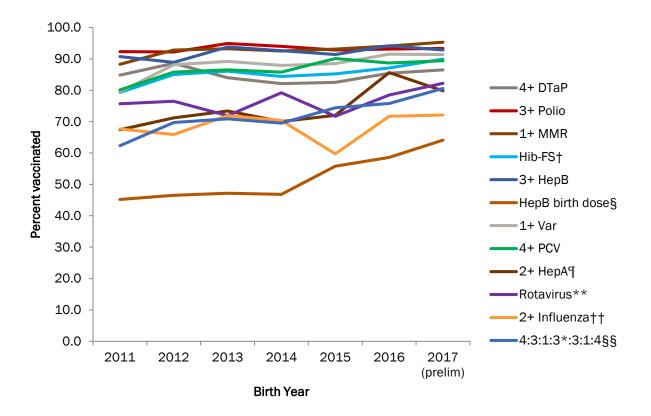
Immunization Program Flu Updates

- As of 10/22/20, 93,540 flu doses given out to enrolled practices
- AAP Grant
 - Application deadline extended until November 13; limited funds remaining first come, first served. **Please apply** *NOW***!**
 - Complete an application to show interest, no obligation if you decide not to participate
 - As of 10/23/20, 81 practices have submitted applications
 - VDH will conduct an analysis of geographic spread to determine potential gaps and help coordinate outreach as needed

Overview of NIS - Child

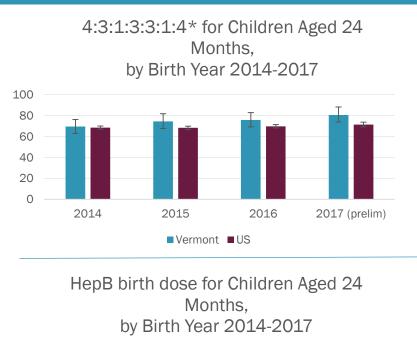
- Data is collected from children at a range of ages, but status is reported by 24 months
- Vermont experienced significant increases in coverage with the following vaccines over 7 years:
 - MMR (+1)
 - Hib full series
 - Hep B birth dose
 - VAR (1+)
 - PCV (4+)
 - Hep A (2+)
 - 7-vaccine series

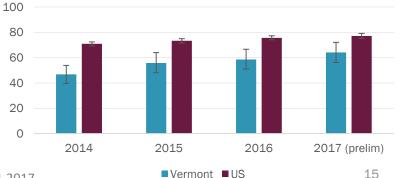
Vaccination coverage by age 24 months,* by birth year, Vermont, NIS-Child, 2012-2017



NIS - Child: Significant Increases

- By age 24 months, Vermont's coverage for the 7-vaccine series was 72% for the 2014-2015 cohort and 78.3% for the 2016-2017 cohort.
 - This is an **increase of 6.3** percentage points
- Coverage with the 7-vaccine series in VT was 1 point above Region 1 and 8 points above US coverage (for the 7-vaccine series).
- The hepatitis B birth dose is the **only** childhood vaccine where Vermont has a lower coverage than the U.S.

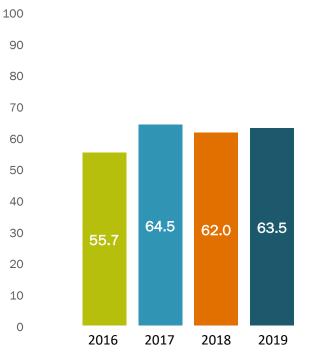




National Immunization Survey (NIS) – Teen, 2019

- For Vermont teens, 13-17 years, immunization coverage remained stable in 2019
- Immunization coverage for Tdap and MenACWY was relatively high, at 94.3% and 93.6%, respectively.
- 63.6% were up to date on HPV. This was higher than the US (54.2%), but lower than New England levels (66.1%).
- HPV rates did not increase to coverage seen in 2017, but it did increase on coverage observed in 2018

Up-to-Date HPV Vaccination For Vermont Adolescents 13-17, 2016-2019



Vermont's Interim COVID-19 Vaccination Plan and Executive Summary

https://www.healthvermont.gov/covid-19-vaccine

"While we look forward to a safe and effective COVID-19 vaccine, we hear the fears expressed by many that political pressure is being applied to rush approval of a vaccine before it has been properly tested. Let me be clear. We stand with science."

Mark Levine, MD, Commissioner of Health

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Stay Safe, Vermont

COVID-19 Harm Reduction Campaign

Christie Vallencourt, M.P.A. Vermont Department of Health Presented to VCHIP, October 26, 2020

It's time to talk harm reduction.

- We're over it.
- We want personal agency to make our own decisions.
- We need the ability to quickly weigh the risk and decide if it's worth it.
- It's not all or nothing.

Our Campaign's Goal

Meet Vermonters where they are in their prevention efforts and move them along the continuum of risk, towards less risky behavior.



Answering YES to any of these questions lowers your risk of getting and spreading COVID-19. The more, the better!

LEARN MORE: HealthVermont.gov/StaySafeVT



STAYING SAFE WHILE LIVING YOUR LIFE

As life gets back to normal, Vermonters need to know the risks when making plans or going out.

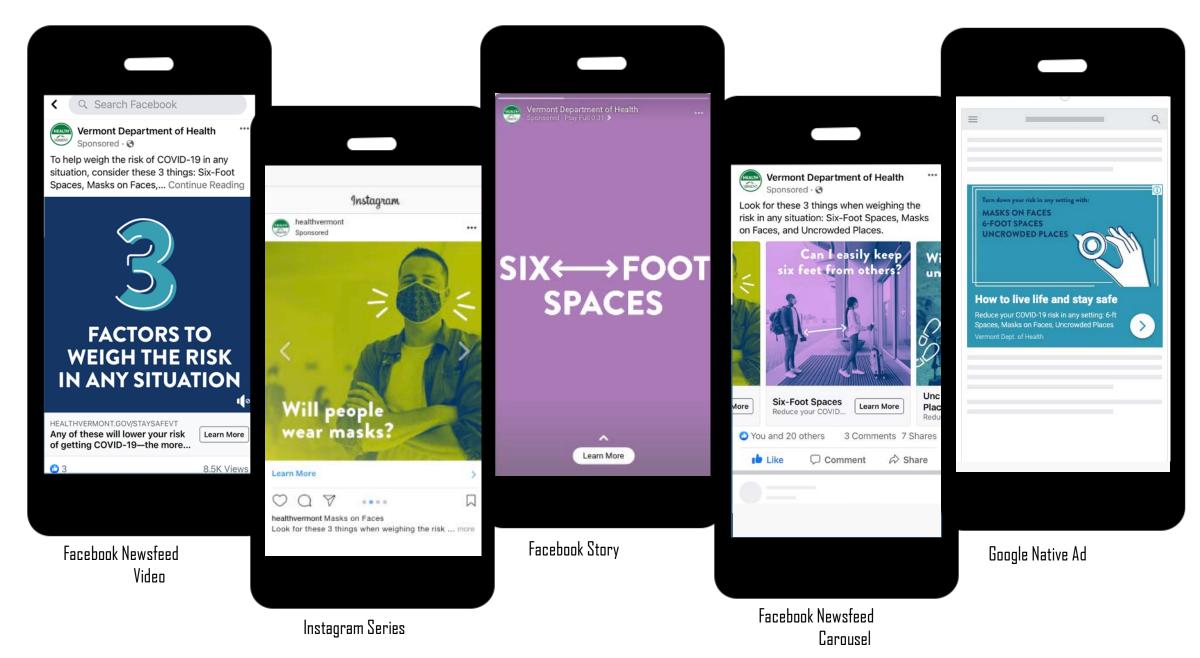
Consider these factors when deciding if you feel comfortable in any situation.



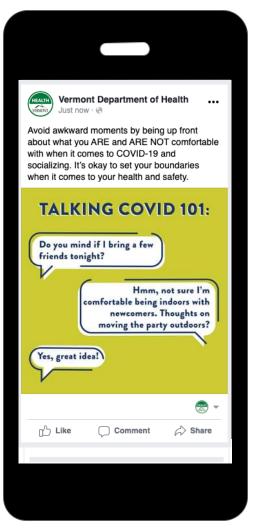
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LEARN MORE: HealthVermont.gov/StaySafeVT

Paid Ads on Facebook & Google



Organic Posts on Twitter, Facebook & Instagram



Facebook



Twitter



Instagram



Thank you!

Let's stay in touch.

Email: Christie.Vallencourt@vermont.govWeb: www.healthvermont.govSocial: @healthvermont

Request Your Assistance: Youth E-Cigarette Use

- Please look for and complete a survey to inform VCHIP's Quality Improvement Project to Address E-Cigarette Use in Vermont Youth
 - https://redcap.med.uvm.edu/surveys/?s=PHXPWHDFED
- Goal: assess primary care providers' knowledge and attitudes about youth vaping. Results will inform educational webinar content.
- SEE: email from Stephanie Winters Oct. 13 open to ANY health care professional who provides primary care for adolescents and young adults, including NPs and PAs
- □ Thank you from VCHIP's Non-Vaping Team!







Happening Soon: Vermont Medical Society 207th Annual & Collaborative Meeting

https://vtmd.org/annual-meeting



AGENDA: 2020 VIRTUAL VMS ANNUAL MEETING & COLLABORATIVE MEETING WITH VTAFP, VPA & AAPVT

A.M. SESSION

8:00: Zoom Opens! 8:15: Welcome 8:30-10:30: <u>VMS Annual Business Meeting</u> 10:45-12:15: Awards Presentations

P.M. SESSION

12:25-12:45: Welcome

- 12:45-1:45: Creating an Organizational Culture Through Equity w/ Marie-Elizabeth Ramas, M.D., FAAFP
- 1:45-2:30: Impacts of Delayed Care on Health Care Outcomes w/ Fan Tait, M.D., FAAP
- 2:45-3:45: Family Detention, COVID, and the Ethical Duties of Doctors in Immigration Detention w/ Scott Allen, M.D., FACP
- 3:45-4:45: What Does the Next Year in Healthcare Look Like in Vermont? w/ Commissioner Mark Levine, M.D., Secretary Michael Schirling, & Commissioner Michael Pieciak
 4:45- 5:00: Wrap-Up





Benjamin Lee, MD – Pediatric Infectious Disease, UVM CH Volunteers needed for Pediatric SARS-CoV-2 serostudy

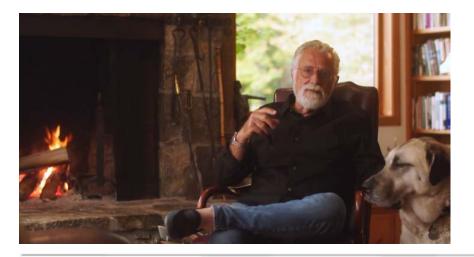
- □ What (volunteers are needed to perform the following tasks)
 - Blood draw by finger prick
 - Crowd control
 - General logistical support (organizing specimen tubes, labels, etc.)
- □ Where
 - Colchester High School parking lot
- □ When (subject to change)
 - Wednesdays and Saturdays in early Nov
 - Start Wed, 11/4
 - End Sat, 11/14
- \square Why
 - To generate data on local pediatric seroprevalence
 - Bonus—Lunch is on me!
- □ How
 - Contact Benjamin Lee: <u>blee7@uvm.edu</u>
 - No need to contact if you have already reached out during initial request this past summer





Special Message for Vermont Voters

- Vermont Secretary of State's video/ad starring the former "World's Most Interesting Man" (Jonathan Goldsmith) & his dog!
 https://www.facebook.com/SecretaryOfStateJimCondos/videos/2614 79291906510
- □ "Vote early, my friends!"





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Questions/Discussion

- □ Q & A Goal: monitor/respond in real time; record/disseminate/revisit later as needed.
- □ For additional questions, please e-mail: <u>vchip.champ@med.uvm.edu</u>
 - What do <u>you</u> need how can we be helpful (specific guidance)?
- VCHIP CHAMP VDH COVID-19 website: <u>https://www.med.uvm.edu/vchip/projects/vchip_champ_vdh_covid-19_updates</u>
- Next CHAMP call: Wednesday October 28 12:15-12:45 (current schedule: M-W-F)
- □ Please tune in to VMS call with VDH Commissioner Levine:

Thursday, October 29, 12:30-1:00 p.m. – Zoom platform & call information:

□ Join *Zoom* Meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86726253105?pwd=VkVuNTJ1ZFQ2R3diSVdqdlJ2ZG4yQT09

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