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August is National Immunization Awareness Month (NIAM), the annual observance spotlights the importance of vaccines for people of all ages.

Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic caused many children and adults to get behind on routine vaccinations, putting them at greater risk of developing preventable diseases. Together we can create awareness to assist in getting everyone's immunizations up to date!

NDHIN serves as the message broker of immunization data for participants connected through NDHIN. This valuable information is needed to make informed decisions regarding the vaccination status of patients. NDHIN's technical team works closely with participants and their EHR vendors to establish connectivity, receiving immunization data directly from the participant's EHR. Once connectivity is established, immunization data is passed on to the North Dakota Immunization Information System (NDIIS) in real time for processing. NDHIN supports EHR queries to NDIIS to retrieve a patient's immunization history and forecast. The data that is shared is viewable in NDHIN's Clinical Portal. In addition, NDHIN monitors the connections for any issues that may arise and coordinates troubleshooting sessions with the vendors and NDIIS until resolution is achieved. Participants find connecting through NDHIN to be a benefit since their technical resources are relieved of the responsibility of monitoring and maintaining the immunization interfaces. On July 17th, the NDIIS completed a new electronic connection to the Refugee Immunization Information Systems Exchange (RIISE). Users will now see immunization records for refugees being relocated to North Dakota in the NDIIS.

If you have questions or are interested in connecting with NDHIN regarding connectivity options with NDIIS, please contact [us](#). To learn more about NIAM, click [here](#) to a link to the CDC website.

National Health Center Week August 4-10, 2024.

Every August, the National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC) sponsors National Health Center Week (NHCW) to celebrate and increase awareness of America's 1,400 Community Health Centers (CHCs).

National Health Center Week is an opportunity to highlight the commitment and passion of Community Health Center staff, board members, and supporters who make it possible to provide quality, comprehensive healthcare services to more than 31.5 million patients across nearly 15,000 communities annually.

We thank our CHCs across North Dakota as they continue to focus their efforts on building healthier communities!



Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology (ONC) Is Now Administration for Strategic Preparedness and Response (ASPR).

On July 25, [HHS announced](#) a reorganization to streamline and bolster technology, cybersecurity, data, and AI strategy and policy functions which had historically been distributed across HHS.

As part of the reorganization, ONC has been renamed the Assistant Secretary for Technology Policy and Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology and has assumed oversight over technology, data, and

AI policy and strategy for the department, including the HHS-wide roles of Chief Technology Officer, Chief Data Officer, and Chief AI Officer.



Welcome to NDHIN: New Participant Spotlight

NDHIN would like to welcome our newest participant!

- **Homestead Physical Therapy**

Reminders!

Help Us Stay Up to Date.

When there are role changes within your organization, please contact NDHIN to ensure we have the most up to date information listed for your organization. This ensures we are able to communicate effectively for audits, invoices and concerns regarding your organization.





Need assistance?..... Password Reset?

If you are having 'Issues' with use of the NDHIN Clinical Portal or other services, please contact the NDHIN Help Desk.

The NDHIN Help Desk is available 24/7 to assist you with password resets, technical issues, and other service questions.

NDHIN Help Desk

Call (844)335-6253 ext. 1 or email NDHINSupport@koblegroup.com

Reach Out To US!

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