Special Bulletin

For professional and facility providers

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National Infant Immunization Week – April 21-28, 2025

<u>National Infant Immunization Week</u> presents an excellent opportunity to emphasize the importance of protecting children two years and younger from vaccine-preventable diseases. Recent outbreaks of measles and other preventable diseases highlight the need to better educate parents about the effectiveness of vaccinations.

The <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)</u> and the <u>American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)</u> recommend that children stay on track with their well-child appointments and routine vaccinations. Ontime vaccination is critical for providing protection against potentially life-threatening diseases.

Education, Awareness, and Prevention

Education and awareness are key to addressing parents' concerns about the safety and the efficacy of vaccinations. <u>The Educational Resources – Member & Provider section</u> on the Provider Resource Center has the following free resources that can be ordered for your patients:

- Childhood Immunization Brochure and Schedule
- Childhood Immunization Flyer
- Preventive Health Reminder Poster

To order your educational materials at no cost, go to <u>Inventory Request Form</u>, select your region, items, and quantity, and then click the **Add to Cart** button.

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