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Dear Health Care Providers,

You are a valuable part of assuring vaccine coverage in Scott County. August is National Immunization Awareness Month. Now is the perfect time to protect your patients from serious vaccine-preventable diseases by making strong recommendations and answering questions.

The [state of Iowa](#) **REQUIRES** the following immunizations for children going into kindergarten, 7th, and 12th grades:

- **Kindergarten:** DTaP, Polio, MMR, and Varicella
- **7th Grade:** Tdap and Meningococcal ACWY (MCV4)
- **12th Grade:** 2nd dose of Meningococcal ACWY (MCV4) or 1 dose if given after age 16

In addition, the [CDC](#) recommends the HPV vaccine starting at age 11 and the meningitis B vaccine starting at age 16.

If needed, you can refer patients who are eligible for the [Vaccines for Children \(VFC\)](#) program to the Scott County Health Department! For more resources to help promote immunizations in your practice, visit: <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines>

As we go back to school, please help promote immunizations for Scott County children.

Thank you for your help!

Scott County Health Department Immunization Team

