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2014 AIM AWARD - NOW ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS

The [AIM Outstanding Achievement Award](#) recognizes individuals and organizations who consistently work to promote and increase immunizations. The AIM Coalition is now [accepting nominations](#) for the 2014 Outstanding Achievement Award. Nominations must be submitted by close of business on August 25. Winners will be announced at a Fall Regional Immunization Conference and the November AIM meeting.

ALANA'S FOUNDATION ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

Join [Alana's Foundation](#) for their 2014 Cruisin' Summer Concert Bash! This year's event will be Thursday, August 14 at the Crofoot Ballroom in Pontiac. Visit their website for more information.

- [West Bloomfield flu foundation to spread vaccination awareness with concert fundraiser](#)

NATIONAL IMMUNIZATION AWARENESS MONTH

August is National Immunization Awareness Month! The National Public Health Information Coalition, in collaboration with CDC, has developed a [toolkit](#) that includes key messages, vaccine information, sample news releases and articles, sample social media messages, and links to resources from CDC and others. NIAM highlights a different population each week of the month:

- A Healthy Start (birth to age 2, pregnant women)
- Back to School (children through 18 years)
- Off to the Future (young adults 19-26)
- Not Just for Kids (adults 26 and older)

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H7N9) NEWS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [Taiwan lifts travel alert for China's Guangdong province](#)

AVIAN INFLUENZA A(H5N1) NEWS AND JOURNAL ARTICLES

- CIDRAP: [Retracing avian flu sample contamination may be impossible](#)

FLU WEBSITES

www.michigan.gov/flu

www.cdc.gov/flu

www.flu.gov

<http://vaccine.healthmap.org/>

JUNE ACIP MEETING SLIDES POSTED

Slides from the June 25-26 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices meeting are available [online](#). The influenza presentations included an update from the novel influenza vaccine work group, an end-of-season update on 2013-14 flu vaccine safety monitoring, live-attenuated and inactivated flu vaccines for young children, and proposed influenza vaccine recommendations for the 2014-15 season.

INFLUENZA-RELATED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- [Swine-to-human transmission of influenza A\(H3N2\) virus at agricultural fairs, Ohio, 2012](#)
 - Almost 100% match between variant H3N2v viruses collected from swine at Ohio fairs and from case-patients from large outbreak
 - Results indicated one strain was widely circulating among exhibition swine in Ohio in 2012, swine viruses were infecting people rather than other way around
- [Receptor binding by H10 influenza viruses](#)
 - Since December 2013, 3 human cases of H10N8 (2 fatal)
 - H10N8 likely binds well enough to human receptors to explain human cases, not well enough to cause widespread disease
- [Immunogenicity of intradermal trivalent influenza vaccine with topical imiquimod, a double blind randomized controlled trial](#)
 - Using imiquimod as topical adjuvant appeared to boost effect of intradermal flu vaccination in older adults with underlying medical conditions

OTHER INFLUENZA-RELATED NEWS

- [Sanofi Pasteur begins shipping seasonal influenza vaccine for upcoming 2014-15 season in United States](#)
- [GSK flu vaccine plant inspection finds 10 issues requiring action](#)
 - None of the issues raised pose a critical risk to public health
 - Plant scheduled to provide 23 million flu doses for U.S. for 2014-15 season
- [Potential new flu drugs target immune response, not virus](#)
- [Alaska sees unusual surge in summertime flu](#)
- [New Zealand hospitals struggle with flu surge](#)

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