



## National Infant Immunization Week April 19<sup>th</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> 2008

Events are sponsored by the Connecticut Department of Public Health's Immunization Action Plan (IAP)  
and are free & open to the public unless otherwise noted

### Bridgeport

#### **Mother's Day Social**

*For parents of children in ABCD's 12 day care programs throughout Bridgeport. Pre-enrollment required. Immunizations presentation, CIRTS BINGO, public health programs and more!*

Where: ABCD (Action for Bpt. Community Development) Early Learning Division (HeadStart) 1070 Park Ave., Bpt.  
When: Tues, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

#### **CIRTS Presentation and CIRTS BINGO**

Where: Babies R Us, Boston Post Road in Milford  
When: Saturday, April 26, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Contact: Joan Lane, Bridgeport IAP at (203) 372-5503

### Danbury

#### **NIIW Celebration**

*Bags filled with immunization information and gifts promoting childhood immunization will be distributed to patients, and refreshments will be provided.*

Where: Pediatric Health Center waiting room, Danbury Hospital, 70 Main Street, Danbury CT  
When: April 22 and April 24  
Contact: Irene Litwak, Danbury IAP at (203) 792-4120

### East Hartford

#### **Story Hour and Review of Children's Immunization Records.**

*Will offer enrollment of any child not already in CIRTS. Open to WIC clients and new enrollees*

Where: East Hartford WIC  
When: Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, at 10:00a.m.,  
Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 2:00 p.m.

Contact: Marie Rorrio, E. Hartford IAP (860) 291-7322

### Hartford

#### **Walk for Shots**

*Shots provide an umbrella of protection to our most vulnerable population. Department Heads from the City of Hartford and other child health organizations will walk from City Hall to Bushnell Park promoting childhood immunization.*

Where: Hartford City Hall, Main St. Hartford  
When: Wednesday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> at 1 p.m.

If interested in participating, call Leticia Marulanda, Hartford IAP at 860-547-1426 X7033

### Meriden

#### **WIC & Immunization Partnership**

*During the week of NIIW, all Meriden WIC clients will receive a gift package including stuffed animals, CIRTS info and a book for early readers about germs and how the body reacts to them.*

Where: Meriden WIC, Meriden Health Dept.  
When: Monday April 21<sup>st</sup> through Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>  
Contact: Valerie Bryden, Meriden IAP at (203) 630-4251

### Naugatuck Valley

#### **Immunization Playgroup and story hours**

*All families will receive up-to-date information on immunization for their child and valuable resources to take home.*

Derby Public Library, 313 Elizabeth St, Derby- April 21, 10a.m.  
Ansonia Public Library, 53 South Cliff St, Ansonia- April 22, 10a.m.  
Derby Neck Library, 307 Hawthorne Ave, Derby-April 24,10a.m.

Contact: Elizabeth Green, Naugatuck Valley IAP at (203) 881-3255

### New Britain

#### **Access to Care for Children's Health Event**

*The New Britain Immunization Program, CHC Dental Health Services, and Access to Care Programs will greet visitors, assess children's health needs, and provide education and referrals.*

Where: Community Health Center of New Britain, Inc.,  
1 Washington Square, New Britain  
When: Monday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 9 AM - 3 PM

#### **New Britain Rock Cats Immunization Records Night**

*The New Britain Immunization Program and the New Britain Rock Cats Minor League Baseball Team have partnered to promote well child health. Visitors to the stadium can have their children's immunization records reviewed and will receive a FREE ticket to the game. A local pediatrician will throw out the first pitch in honor of the event. An immunization information table will be set up with educational materials.*

Where: New Britain Stadium: 230 John Karbonic Way, New Britain, CT 06051  
When: Tuesday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Gates open at 5:35 PM

For more information on these events, contact: Ramona Anderson - New Britain IAP (860) 612-2777

### New Haven

#### **Pediatric Immunization Workshop**

*Dr. Steve Updegrave from Hill Health Center will speak to young moms on the importance of immunizing their child.*

Where: Polly McCabe School, 390 Columbus Ave.,  
New Haven

When: Friday, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Contact: Jennifer Hall, New Haven IAP- (203) 946-7097

Open to students of the school only

### New London/Groton

#### **Community Baby Shower**

*This free event is open to all expectant parents.*

*Information on infant health and parenting from various local resources such as social service agencies, local health departments, Backus Hospital, and the Naval Sub Base will be plentiful. Door prizes will be raffled off throughout the day and food and refreshments will be available.*

Where: William W. Backus Hospital in Norwich

When: Tuesday, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Contact: Ginny Haas, Ledge Light IAP at (860) 448-4882 X 352

### Norwalk

#### **Immunization Breakfast "The Power of the Shot"**

*All parents enrolled in Nurturing Families Network and Connections, Mom's Project and Healthy Start are invited. Parents will be given information about: the importance of immunization, the diseases prevented by vaccination, tips on how to keep a child up-to-date and the CIRTS Program. Attendees are requested to bring a copy of their child's immunization record for the IAP staff to assess. Gift bags filled with immunization brochures, parent-held immunization booklets and promotional materials will be distributed to all who attend.*

Where: Family and Children's Agency, Mott Ave., Norwalk

When: Thursday, April 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m.

#### **Norwalk YMCA's Kids Day**

*Information regarding CIRTS, immunizations and diseases prevented will be on display during the event.*

*Immunization brochures and promotional materials including the Norwalk Health Department phone number for FREE shots will be provided to all who visit the immunization table.*

Where: Norwalk YMCA, 370 West Avenue, Norwalk

When: Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

For more information regarding these events, please call the Norwalk Immunization Action Plan at 203-854-7728.

### Stamford

#### **Health Fair**

*The Stamford IAP Coordinator will staff a table to provide families with up-to-date information on immunizations for their child.*

Where: Stamford Government Center lobby

When: Saturday, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Contact: Cinthia Vera, Stamford IAP at (203) 977-5098

### Torrington Area

#### **Health and Fitness Festival**

*Will feature health screenings and information, bike helmet giveaways, hands-on activities, and free healthy snacks.*

*Special guest performances include MOMIX (dancer illusionists), the Forbes Flyers, McArdle School of Irish Dance, the Torrington High School Cheerleaders and Dance Team and more.*

Where: Torrington Armory

When: Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup> 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Contact: Sue Sawula, Torrington Area IAP at (860) 489-0436

### Waterbury

#### **Mini Health Fair**

*Kicking off with words from the Mayor, and Health Director followed by a press conference featuring Dr. Melinda Wharton, from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. A light lunch will follow in the Health Department lunch room. IAP Coordinator will be available all day in the conference room to check records, provide new, clean records, giveaways, video, information, and refreshments.*

Where: Waterbury Health Dept. 95 Scovill Street, Waterbury

When: April 24<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 Noon to 2:00 p.m.

Contact: Randy York, Waterbury IAP at (203) 346-3907 or

[ryork@waterburyct.org](mailto:ryork@waterburyct.org)

### West Haven

#### **Immunize for a Healthy Community**

*This free event will begin with a Mayoral proclamation, followed by words from the West Haven Health Director and a message on childhood immunization from the Centers for Disease Control's Dr. Melinda Wharton. Attractions include a performance by the West Haven High School Steppers, the American Lung Association's Breath Express and an interactive story enacted by the CT Storytelling Center. Local immunization providers will be recognized. Refreshments provided.*

Where: West Haven Community House

When: Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Contact: Betty Murphy, W. Haven IAP at (203) 937-3665