

Immunizations

Our Mission: The mission of the West Virginia Division of Immunization Services within the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources, Bureau for Public Health is to promote prevention and control of vaccine-preventable diseases among children, adolescents, and adults in West Virginia.



Vaccines for Children (VFC)

- Household-grade refrigerator/freezer combo units can be an acceptable alternative to pharmaceutical-grade vaccine storage units. The freezer compartment of this type of unit should **NOT** be used to store vaccines. A separate freezer unit is necessary to store frozen vaccine.
- Report vaccine adverse events to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) and WV Poison Center immediately.
- WV Poison Center 1-800-222-1222

West Virginia Statewide Immunization Information System (WVSIIS)

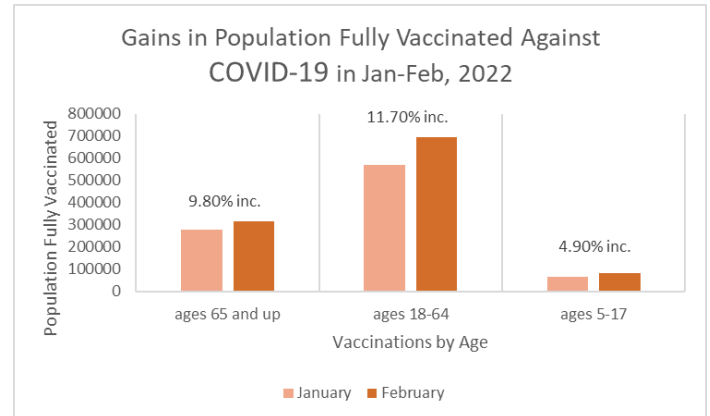
- Record/document vaccine administration in WVSIIS **within 24 hours** to ensure your inventory is accurate.
- **Thank you for sharing your COVID-19 vaccines;** however, DO NOT share COVID-19 vaccines with a facility that is not enrolled as a COVID-19 provider. To enroll, email Christopher.D.Young@wv.gov.
- The Single Sign On (SSO) feature is now active in WVSIIS! You may have to update your password to log in. **You cannot use the past five passwords.**

Reminders and Important Dates

- Email or fax **Christopher Young** and **Sandra Wright**
 - Temperature Logs by the 5th of each month
 - Vaccine Wastage Reports as they occur
 - Christopher.D.Young@wv.gov
 - Sandra.Wright@wv.gov
 - Fax: 304-957-7591

COVID-19

Featured: Number of fully vaccinated individuals, along with percent increase from January to February.



* For further information, please visit: <https://dhhr.wv.gov/COVID-19>

Reflection: What are the top concerns/reservations patients have reported regarding vaccination?

Employee Spotlight



This month's employee spotlight is [Becky L. Pierson](#). You may have spoken to Becky when requesting assistance with the WVSIIS. Becky grew up in Kanawha City, Charleston, West Virginia, and began working for the

Office of Epidemiology Prevention Services in 1996. Becky has two daughters, three granddaughters and two great-grandsons. She enjoys spending time with her family, playing billiards, bonfires, and working in her yard. Becky enjoys talking with and helping registry users as well as the connection/friendships she has made along the way. Becky is a valuable asset to our team and brightens up the day with her smile and infectious personality.