

**COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
AGENDA ITEM TRANSMITTAL**

(1) DEPARTMENT Public Health Dept		(2) MEETING DATE May 2, 2006		(3) CONTACT/PHONE Debbie Jo Trinidad (805) 788-2043	
(4) SUBJECT Adopt resolution for Toddler Immunization Month (TIM) May 2006.					
(5) SUMMARY OF REQUEST In 1994, Toddler Immunization Month (TIM) was declared to focus local and national attention on the importance of proper immunizations for infants and toddlers 24 months and younger. Since its inception, TIM has served as a reminder to parents, caregivers, and healthcare providers to participate in activities and recognition events to increase the awareness of immunizing children before their second birthday.  The goal of this resolution is to strengthen national, state and local efforts and to have the children in our county fully immunized by age two. Additionally, it will encourage commitment among state and community leaders, educators, the media, health care professionals, and partners to participate in on-going efforts to improve immunization rates. San Luis Obispo County is working towards the Healthy People 2010 goal of immunizing at least 90% of all children by 2 years of age.					
(6) RECOMMENDED ACTION It is recommended that the Board adopt the resolution.					
(7) FUNDING SOURCE(S) N/A		(8) CURRENT YEAR COST N/A		(9) ANNUAL COST N/A	
(10) BUDGETED? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A					
(11) OTHER AGENCY/ADVISORY GROUP INVOLVEMENT (LIST): None					
(12) WILL REQUEST REQUIRE ADDITIONAL STAFF? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes, How Many? _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Limited Term _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Contract _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Temporary Help _____					
(13) SUPERVISOR DISTRICT(S) <input type="checkbox"/> 1st, <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd, <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd, <input type="checkbox"/> 4th, <input type="checkbox"/> 5th, <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All			(14) LOCATION MAP <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		(15) Maddy Act Appointments Signed-off by Clerk of the Board <i>N/A</i>
(16) AGENDA PLACEMENT <input type="checkbox"/> Consent <input type="checkbox"/> Hearing (Time Est. _____) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Presentation <input type="checkbox"/> Board Business (Time Est. _____)			(17) EXECUTED DOCUMENTS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Resolutions (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Contracts (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> Ordinances (Orig + 4 copies) <input type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(18) NEED EXTRA EXECUTED COPIES? <input type="checkbox"/> Number: _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/> N/A			(19) APPROPRIATION TRANSFER REQUIRED? <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted <input type="checkbox"/> 4/5th's Vote Required <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A		
(20) OUTLINE AGREEMENT REQUISITION NUMBER (OAR) <i>N/A</i>			(21) W-9 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes		(22) Agenda Item History <input type="checkbox"/> N/A    Date <u>April 19, 2005</u>
(23) ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICE REVIEW  <i>OK Dean Bueltschi</i>					

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TO: Board of Supervisors

FROM: Gregory Thomas, M.D., M.P.H., Public Health Department Director

DATE: May 2, 2006

SUBJECT: Toddler Immunization Month

## Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of Supervisors adopt the attached resolution Proclaiming the month of May 2006 to be designated "Toddler Immunization Month" (TIM) in San Luis Obispo County.

## Discussion

In 1994, Toddler Immunization Month (TIM) was declared to focus local and national attention on the importance of proper immunizations for infants and toddlers 24 months and younger. Since its inception, TIM has served as a reminder to parents, caregivers, and healthcare providers to participate in activities and recognition events to increase the awareness of immunizing children before their second birthday to end vaccine preventable diseases.

The goal of this resolution is to increase awareness on the national, state and local levels and to have the children in our county fully immunized by age two. Additionally, it will encourage commitment among state and community leaders, educators, the media, health care professionals, and partners to participate in on-going efforts to improve immunization rates.

This year TIM is a time to highlight our past achievements and focus our efforts on future endeavors to continue to raise immunization coverage levels. San Luis Obispo County will be joining over 500 communities' throughout the United States to highlight the need for routine vaccinations and promote access to health services for infants and children.

The 2006 campaign will raise awareness about the importance of getting children and adults immunized on time, every time. "A decision to vaccinate is a decision to protect not only an individual, but the entire community as well," indicates Dr. Howard Backer, Chief, California Department of Health Services Immunization Branch. The dramatic reductions in 14 vaccine preventable diseases would not be possible without the continued diligence of providers in

providing timely immunizations. The theme for the statewide campaign is "Community Immunity". San Luis Obispo County Immunization Program activities will include a table at Farmer's Market on April 27<sup>th</sup>, at San Miguel Community Health Fair May 14<sup>th</sup>, and the Birth and Baby Fair May 13<sup>th</sup>. Immunization coloring sheets/tray liners will be distributed by Jamba Juice, Trader Joe's, McDonalds, Jack-In-The-Box, Kennedy Fitness Club and Food 4 Less. Thank you letters will be sent to pediatricians and hospitals for their immunization efforts, goodie bags will be given to children in WIC clinic, and stickers and immunization coloring sheets will be sent to all preschools.

Other Agency Involvement/Impact

None.

Financial Considerations

N/A

Results

In San Luis Obispo County the immunization rates for two to four year olds is

- 89.02% of the 2,868 children in preschool were up to date, California 93.35%. (2003)
- 88.65% of the 2,758 children in preschool were up to date, California 93.72%. (2004)
- 88.87% of the 2,570 children in preschool were up to date, California 93.26% (2005)

The national goal for Healthy People 2010 is 90% coverage for all universally recommended vaccines among children 19-35 months.

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IN THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO, STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
2<sup>nd</sup> Day of May, 2006

PRESENT:

ABSENT:

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Resolution of the Board of Supervisors Proclaiming the month of May 2006 to be designated "Toddler Immunization Month"

The following Resolution is now offered and read:

WHEREAS, community immunization is the only defense children and adults have against vaccine-preventable diseases; and

WHEREAS, since the historic low of 75 cases in 1976, pertussis cases (whooping cough) have been rising, in 2005 nearly 2,200 cases of pertussis were reported in California, 109 in San Luis Obispo County; and

WHEREAS, severe cases of pertussis in infants less than 12 months old can lead to pneumonia, seizures, brain damage and death; and

WHEREAS, vaccine-preventable childhood diseases still pose a serious threat to infants and toddlers, and complications are often devastating to both patients and families; and

WHEREAS, a recent survey by the National Immunization Survey (NIS) indicates that California immunization rates continued to improve for ages 19-35 months, with an average of 84.1 percent coverage rate; and

WHEREAS, in San Luis Obispo County, 88.87% or 2,570 children were up to date with their immunizations in child care in 2005; and

WHEREAS, San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department provided vaccinations against Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, HIB, Polio, Hepatitis A and B, Chicken Pox (or Varicella), Pneumococcal and Flu to 1,962 children and adolescents in 2005; and

WHEREAS, a local coalition of concerned businesses, public health, and community organizations have joined together to observe Toddler Immunization Month in May to bring attention to the need for timely immunizations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED by the Board of Supervisors, County of San Luis Obispo, that the month of May 2006 be designated "Toddler Immunization Month."

Upon motion of Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, seconded by Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, and on the following roll call vote, to-wit:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAINING:

The foregoing resolution is hereby adopted:

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Chairman of the Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board of Supervisors

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