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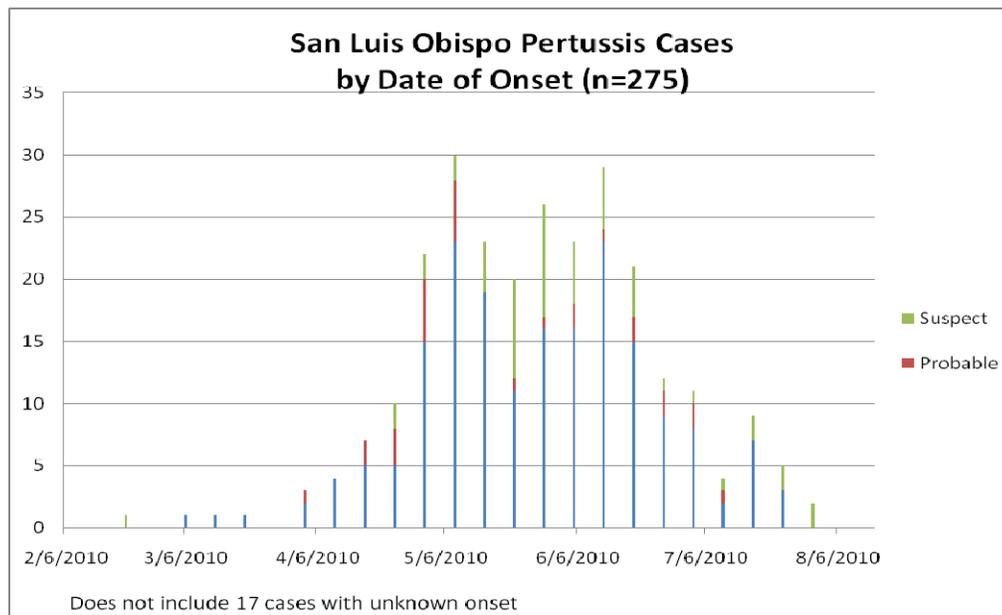
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## **Pertussis Update: Local Incidence and Vaccination Opportunities**

As the number of pertussis cases in San Luis Obispo County and across the state continues to rise, the San Luis Obispo County Public Health Officer would like to share the following information about case rates, Tdap screening and Free Tdap clinics with providers.



As of today, San Luis Obispo County Public Health Department has reported a total of 293 suspected, probable and confirmed cases to the State Department of Public Health. The above table depicts a current decline in cases after peaks seen in May and June. However, the Health Officer urges continued vigilance in vaccination, especially for those at highest risk (infants -- according to an accelerated vaccination schedule, teens pregnant women and caretakers of infants). We hope that persistent vaccination efforts now, will limit the chance of a new spike in cases as classes begin for students this fall.

### ***Tdap Screening Form:***

CDPH has provided an easy-to-use screening form for Tdap providers to help decide when Tdap vaccine is appropriate for a patient. To view this helpful tool, please go to:

<http://eziz.org/link/tdapscreeningform>

<http://eziz.org/link/tdapscreeningformdoc>

The tool is provided in both MS Word and PDF Versions.

**FREE Tdap Clinics:**

In coordination with a state contractor (Maxim), the County Public Health Department is offering free vaccination clinics at sites around San Luis Obispo County. The **FREE** Tetanus, Diphtheria and acellular Pertussis (Tdap) vaccine clinics are open to individuals **10 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER** and require **NO APPOINTMENT**. We are particularly targeting teens and those who care for infants. Pregnant women must show a prescription from their provider to receive a vaccine, however, no paperwork for other individuals is required. A booster dose of Tdap is routinely recommended at ages 11-12.

Clinic locations planned to date include:

San Luis Obispo:

**Thursday, August 19 – 12pm-6pm** – The Villages of SLO at Garden Creek  
73 Broad Street, San Luis Obispo

San Luis Obispo:

**Saturday, August 28 – 11am-3pm** – Sierra Vista Regional Medical Center Auditorium  
1010 Murray Avenue, San Luis Obispo

In North County:

**Saturday, September 4 – 10am-2pm** – Twin Cities Community Hospital, Morgan Conference Room  
1100 Las Tablas Road, Templeton

Tdap vaccine is also available **by appointment** at our Public Health Department clinic sites in Paso Robles, San Luis Obispo and Grover Beach. Please call your nearest location if you would like to make an appointment.

For more information about pertussis and local updates, please go to: <http://www.slocounty.ca.gov/PA.htm> and click on “pertussis (whooping cough)” or call our Public Health Information Line at 805-788-2903.

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