

# VACCINOLOGIST UPDATE



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## **New DSN Number**

My position has been relocated to Population Health Support Division [AFMOA/SGZZ] Hence my DSN is now 240-4148 but e-mail stays the same. Snail mail address has changed and is located in the header. The AF Immunization WWW will relocate in the coming weeks to the SG page. Once the new URL is available it will be sent to all.

## **Td Shortage to Continue**

TSgt Towel (NCOIC BMT Immunizations) reports that Td will remain in short supply for an undetermined amount of time. You will continue to see Airman arrive not vaccinated for Td. In addition the shortage has now affected COTS. You will begin to see new Officers arriving, unvaccinated for Td. Local CONOPS for recalling these folks, if and when this situation resolves, should be developed.

## **No Notice/Short Notice HSI Inspections**

Just a reminder that starting in Jan 01 your facility will no longer be scheduled months in advance for a JACHO/HSI visit. Active duty units enter an HSI scheduling window 12 months after their last HSI. ARC units enter an HSI scheduling window 24 months following their last HSI. HSI's may be conducted on a scheduled (ARC) or short notice (AD) basis. There are exceptions, please go to the [AFIA Home Page](#) for more information.

## **Self-Inspection Programs**

How current is your self-inspection program? IAW AFI 41-120, [Medical Resource Management Operations](#) you should have accomplished this within 60 days of you becoming NCOIC. This instruction also gives source documents for developing you self-inspection checklist. In a no notice inspection environment this becomes important. That is to say if you already have the problem identified and a road map to a fix it, it should not be held against your inspection findings.

## **AF-CITA /DEERS Link Gone**

AF-CITA is rolling out. The DEERS link was terminated 11 Mar 01. Please continue entering data into MITS. AF-CITA will absorb all your shot data and will upload it to the server at OPHSA. AF-CITA should be fully deployed by the end of the month; it requires a one on one interface with the PHSO (ASIMS) help desk DSN 240-8190. Part of the enhancement will give you the ability to query the OPHSA server for past immunization history for AD, ANG, AFRES and Dependents. I know it's easy to say from here but please be patient it's rolling out as quickly as possible.

## **PHS 731 or a Current 2766c**

With the conversion of MITS to AF-CITA it is important to ensure people PCSing, especially to Korea, have a shot record or a current 2766c. If you are choosing to migrate away from the PHS 731, 2 2766c's should be printed at the time of PCS/TDY, one for the member to carry, the other for the medical record.

## **Pediatric Data**

In the 25 July Policy statement, [Automated Documentation of Child and Adult Immunizations](#), it became mandatory for entry of pediatric immunization information, historical as well as current, into MITS/AF-CITA. Although the suspense is for Aug 01, the metric is already being monitored. Most installation (All but 2) fall well short of the 50% data load anticipated by this time. Many a cry has been heard on how to identify your denominator for your Pediatric population. You have help on the way. In the coming weeks your base will receive demographic data on a CD. (Courtesy of the Population Health Support Division) Part of this data grouping will be the pediatric cohort listing. You will be given an Excel listing of children in DEERS at your MTF, children missing shots, children needing immunizations, and children that are in DEERS (locally) but not in your AF-CITA data base. This needs immediate attention. If you do not have CONOPS on how to collect this data and get it entered please do so. (Big brother is already looking your data.)

## **New 4N CFM**

CMSgt Ellen Harms is assuming the position of the 4N CFM. She is coming from the 383 Training Squadron @ Sheppard AFB. Her contact information will be DSN 297-4478 or e-mail [Ellen.Harms@USAFSG.Bolling.af.mil](mailto:Ellen.Harms@USAFSG.Bolling.af.mil). A reminder, using the chain of command is a must. Chief Miraglia has PCS'ed to Wilford Hall Medical Center, DSN 554-3437 or e-mail [Michael.Miraglia@59MDW.WHMC.AF.MIL](mailto:Michael.Miraglia@59MDW.WHMC.AF.MIL)

## **Change II to the STS Approved /Upgrade Distance Learning Course**

Thanks to all those who provided input. Change II of the 4N STS has been approved by the MAJCOM Chiefs. In it is a new requirement for upgrading from 4N031A to 4N051A. This information will also be testable for SrA testing to SSgt. (Once published) Items in this product will include, Epidemiology of Vaccine Preventable Disease, Administrative management of the A/I Clinic, Mass Immunization Programs, Fiscal Management of A/I Clinic, Operating Instructions, Inspection, Common Reports, Continuing Education, and IBT Program Oversight.

## **Meeting 14 Dec 00**

As many know, there is an effort under way to formally place Immunizations into MDOS. The first meeting was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> of Dec 00. Although the specifics of the meeting are not yet public domain a positive spin off is already under way. AFMOA has agreed to fund a computer based training platform for CITA. Development will commence at the end of this month. If all goes well deployment of this training platform will be early summer. More details will be provided as they become available.

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