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# NH AAP NEWS

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"For change often seems impossible until it is inevitable. Just as we must own our lives, we must own our country. For, we, the people, are ultimately in control of the America's story."

~Valerie Jarrett

## AAP STATEMENT ON SUPREME COURT RULING

<https://www.aap.org/en/news-room/news-releases/aap/2022/aap-statement-on-supreme-court-decision-in-dobbs-v.-jackson-womens-health-organization/>

## FORMULA SHORTAGE

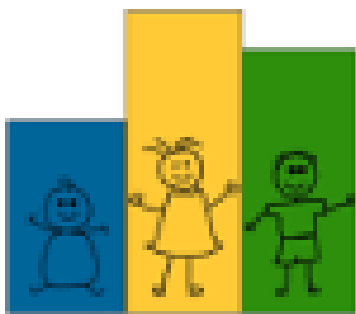
In February 2022, Abbott the infant manufacturer of Similac and Elecare formulas, issued a voluntary recall of its formulas <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/programs-services/population-health/women-infants-children-nutrition-program/similac-powder-formula>. This action, in addition to supply chain struggles has lead to a true shortage of not only Abbott formulas but other formulas as well. Work has been done to address this on a national and local level. The NH WIC Program continues to work with families and has added 48+ additional formulas to expand options available for families to purchase. The expansion of additional formulas (USA and international infant formulas) was made possible through temporary USDA waivers. To learn more about the formula shortage and what is being done at a national level and state level go to the following websites: [www.hhs.gov/formula](http://www.hhs.gov/formula), and <https://www.dhhs.nh.gov/sites/g/files/ehbemt476/files/documents2/nh-recall-formula-sub-list.pdf>

## COVID VACCINES FOR CHILDREN

On June 18th, CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) unanimously voted to recommend COVID-19 vaccination for infants and young children using either the Moderna (for persons 6 months through 5 years of age) or the Pfizer-BioNTech (for persons 6 months through 4 years of age) COVID-19 vaccines.

- o CDC has endorsed ACIP's recommendations, and providers are able to begin administer COVID-19 vaccines to this youngest age group.
- o Both vaccines are safe and effective at inducing a protective immune response; no new safety concerns were identified in this youngest age group.
- o The number and timing of doses depends on the vaccine product administered and the child's immunocompromised status:
  - Moderna (6 months through 5 years of age): two-dose primary series (25 mcg per dose); dose #2 is given at least 4 weeks (28 days) after dose #1. For persons who are moderately or severely immunocompromised, a third "additional dose" is recommended as part of the person's primary series; this 3rd additional dose is given at least 4 weeks after dose #2.
  - Pfizer-BioNTech (6 months through 4 years of age): three-dose primary series (3 mcg per dose); dose #2 is given at least 3 weeks (21 days) after dose #1, and dose #3 is given at least 8 weeks after dose #2. For persons who are moderately or severely immunocompromised, NO ADDITIONAL DOSE is recommended.

Enroll to become a COVID-19 vaccine provider for your patients by contacting the NH Immunization Program at: [c19enrollment@dhhs.nh.gov](mailto:c19enrollment@dhhs.nh.gov) or 603-271-4482.



### **NEW TOOLS: Trauma-informed Care in Pediatric Primary Care**

The NH Pediatric Improvement Partnership (NHPIP) has **released two new resources to support pediatric primary care practices in building family resilience and addressing adverse childhood experiences (ACE). *Facilitating a Quality Improvement Approach to Childhood Adversity Screening in Primary Care: A Handbook*** provides a guide to replicating work done in five New Hampshire practices to screen and respond to ACEs and strengthen family relationships. ***A Guide to Trauma-informed Pediatric Primary Care*** provides a step-by-step process for clinics to develop and pilot a customized ACEs screening workflow, integrating principles of trauma-informed care.

In addition, NHPIP is currently offering one-hour Trauma 101 and Trauma 102 trainings to NH pediatric and family practice clinics. Trauma 101 provides an overview of: childhood adversity and resilience, impacts of pandemic on child/family trauma exposure, and trauma-informed care delivery in pediatric primary care. Trauma 102 focuses on the applying principles of trauma-informed care in every day practice. These trainings are FREE, can be done virtually or on-site, and award CME, CNEs, and social work CEUs. If you are interested in a training, please contact Felicity Bernard at [felicity.bernard@unh.edu](mailto:felicity.bernard@unh.edu).

Financial support for these resources and trainings was provided by the NH Children's Health Foundation.

**Opportunities Available:** This is a new section of the newsletter to highlight opportunities to get involved or for help needed. If you have something you want listed, please contact [catrina.watson@nhms.org](mailto:catrina.watson@nhms.org)

**NHAAP** is looking for chapter members who would like to be part of a chapter interest group on diversity/equity/inclusion (DEI). This would be an informal group that aims to highlight issues in this area for pediatricians. Please respond to [catrina.watson@nhms.org](mailto:catrina.watson@nhms.org).

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### **NH AAP meetings**

2022 Meetings will be September 14 and December 14. Meetings will be held virtually until further notice.

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