

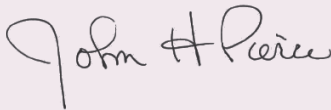
Dear Friends and Colleagues,

Join me in celebrating the Washington Vaccine Association's (WVA) 5th birthday. Kids and parents benefit every day from our turnkey system that provides vaccines for all children in Washington. WVA is proud to be a key partner in this effective and efficient public-private partnership.

Washington State has often led the way in seeking uncommon solutions to common issues. That is how our remarkable system and the WVA came to be. Five years later our program has matured significantly, but we still have work to do. Although Washington immunization rates are about average nationally, our rates overall show protection is not where it should be. I know we can do better, especially because cost is not the barrier standing in our way.

Health reform is about providing people with access to the healthcare they need. Our kids need immunizations if we're going to achieve our Healthier Washington goals. Recent measles outbreaks remind us to stay the course. Increasing immunization rates will take many people working together to communicate with those who are hesitant about vaccines. We are at that table, ready for those conversations.

Thank you for supporting WVA and Washington's kids. If you want to know more or get involved, please contact us.



John Pierce, Board Chair
 Senior VP and General Counsel,
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5 Reasons to Celebrate WVA's 5th Birthday

- 1. Time and money saved.** Providers don't carry the financial burden of maintaining vaccines and storing them separately based on funding. Instead, providers receive all childhood vaccines at no cost and use their existing billing system to ensure WVA can collect the assessments for administered vaccines.
- 2. Better care.** Federal funding and funding from the WVA allows Washington to provide vaccines for all children. With vaccine supply and funding managed outside the practice, providers can focus on caring for and immunizing kids.
- 3. Vaccine choice and access.** Providers choose their preferred brands for all recommended childhood vaccines. Our unique financing process allowed Washington to add the new 9-valent HPV and a meningococcal B vaccine to the Childhood Vaccine Program quickly this year.
- 4. Stabilized funding.** Our system frees vaccine supply from the fluctuations of the state budget. Vaccines are financed through federal and WVA funds. As vaccine costs continue to rise nationally, stabilized vaccine funding is critical.
- 5. Strong leadership.** The WVA enjoys the commitment of representatives from a broad spectrum of the community on its board and the specialized support from the team at KidsVax under the leadership of Fred Potter. This year we welcomed our new Deputy Director Julia Walter. We are indebted to her predecessor Margaret Lane and sincerely thank her for her careful guiding hand. With us from the beginning, Margaret's unique knowledge and tireless dedication has been integral to WVA's success.

2014-15 Immunizations At-a-Glance



2.9 MILLION
 doses of vaccine supplied



5% INCREASE
 in meningococcal
 vaccinations in teens



4.5% INCREASE
 in Hepatitis B
 vaccinations at birth



1.8% INCREASE
 in 4+DTaP vaccinations to
 protect kids from whooping cough



12.1% INCREASE
 in HPV series completion for boys



651,000
 CHILDREN
 were vaccinated

Sources:

National Immunization Survey, Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, www.cdc.gov/vaccines/imz-managers/coverage/nis/child/index.html

Washington State Department of Health, www.doh.wa.gov/YouandYourFamily/Immunization

Statistics represent data for July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015

Stable Childhood Vaccine Funding

Since 2010, the Washington Vaccine Association (WVA) has supported the universal purchase of vaccines for all children in Washington State. With funding from dosage-based assessments (DBA), the WVA remits payments to the state for the purchase of childhood vaccines, supporting the infrastructure that ensures all kids have access to vaccines.

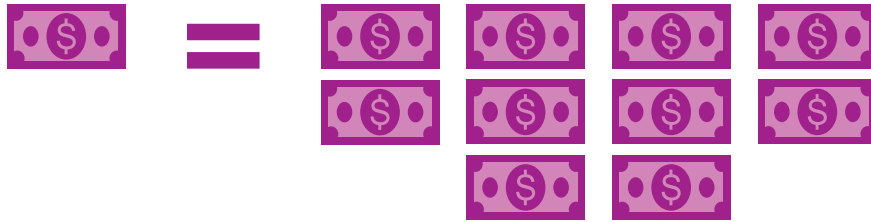
Money Saved



\$22.7 MILLION
saved by WVA in vaccine cost

\$1 spent on vaccines

\$10 saved in health costs



Sources:

Economic Evaluation of the Routine Childhood Immunization Program in the United States (2009), Centers For Disease Control and Prevention, www.pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2014/02/25/peds.2013-0698.full.pdf+html

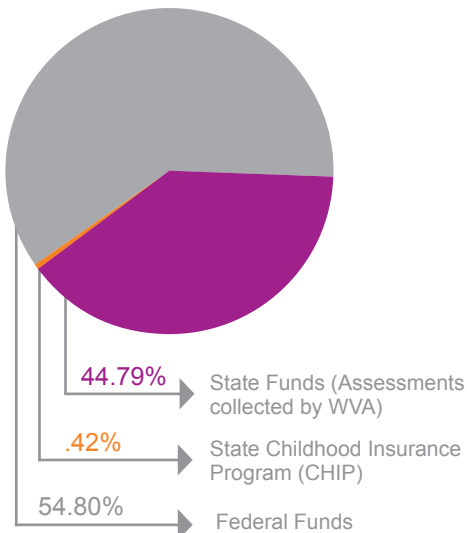
Peter Smith, Financial Analyst Report, www.wavaccine.org/savings/2015

FINANCIALS

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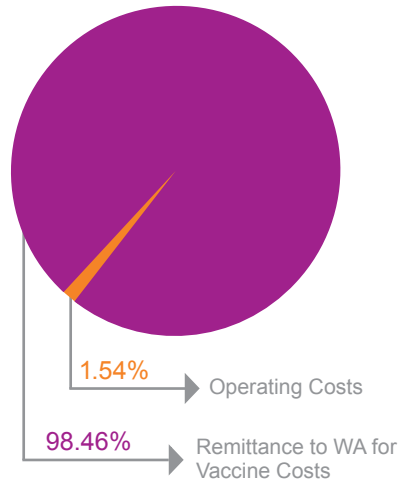
WA Childhood Vaccine Funding Sources

\$140.9 MILLION



WVA Program Expenditures

\$64.1 MILLION



Complete audited financial statements are online at www.wavaccine.org/audit/2015.

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