



Annual Report

WVA WASHINGTON
VACCINE
ASSOCIATION

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is an honor to be celebrating the Washington Vaccine Association's (WVA) 10th anniversary of the public-private partnership with the Washington State Department of Health (DOH). The WVA has been and will continue to be instrumental in supporting the State's universal purchase of pediatric vaccines, which directly benefits patients, providers, payers, and successful public health outcomes for our greater community. As we weather the COVID-19 pandemic, the WVA's role in providing a stable vaccine funding source is even more critical than ever before, and we are proud to support the State's efforts to ensure all children have equal access to vaccines.

Over the past year, we have focused upon improving our operational excellence through promoting accountability and transparency. Many of our efforts have centered upon transitioning to online and electronic remittance and payment processes, using increased data and systems information to reduce errors, and expanding our communication materials and platforms to help improve vaccination rates. We expect that our efforts will aid us in strengthening partnerships, create further trust in our systems, and ensure equitable participation of payers and providers in our program.

As my first year as the WVA's Board Chair, I would like to thank the many volunteers over the last decade that have helped guide and direct the WVA. I especially thank those individuals who have previously served and those who are currently serving on the Board of Directors that have given their time and talents.

I am excited about the opportunities we have in the coming year, and with the changes we are making I look forward to our continued efforts to ensure the WVA operates efficiently to achieve the best health outcomes for Washington residents and communities.

Chad Murphy, BS, PharmD
Board Chair

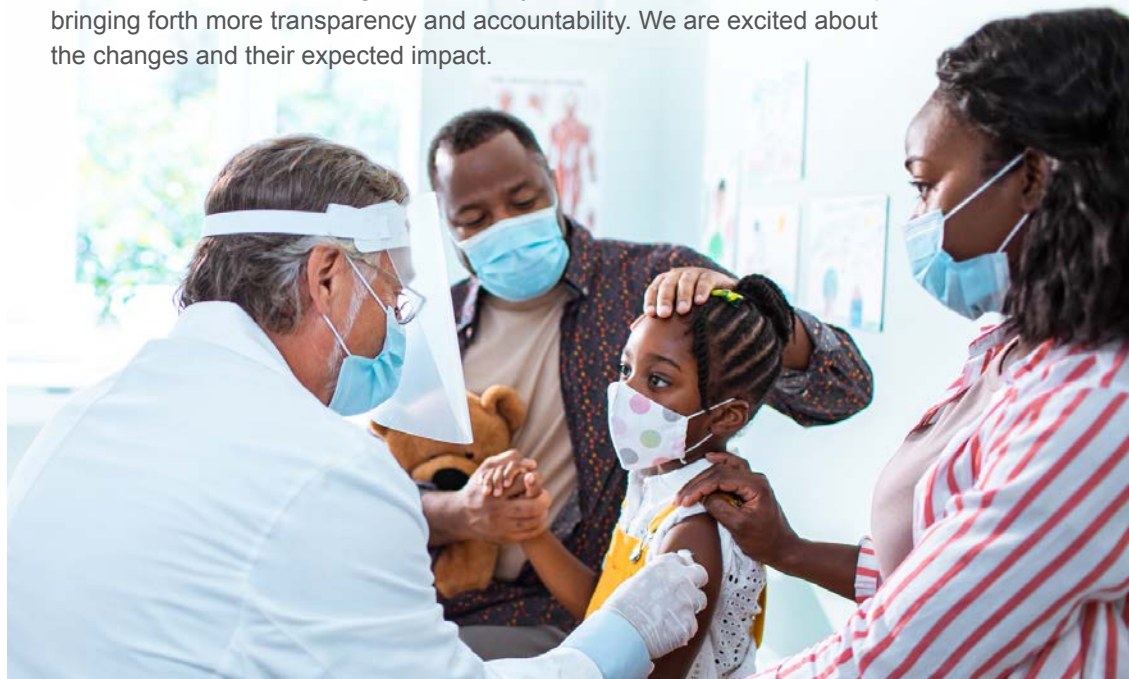
A Decade of Funding Pediatric Vaccines

As the Washington Vaccine Association (WVA) turns ten, we are excited to once again share the important benefits of our state's universal Childhood Vaccination Program (CVP).

- **Healthcare Savings.** The DOH's bulk purchases of all pediatric vaccines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) manufacturer contracts provides significant cost savings versus private market costs.
- **Stable Vaccine Supply.** Providers can focus on patient needs and have the full compliment of recommended vaccines on hand to immunize kids.
- **Consolidated Storage and Ordering.** Provider staff can avoid both navigating complex ordering systems and keeping separate storage inventories for vaccines based on insurance status. This allows for a blended stock of vaccines and a streamlined ordering process, supported by the CVP.
- **No Provider Financing Costs.** Instead of fronting significant dollars to keep vaccines on hand, providers receive and administer pediatric vaccines procured by the DOH and use their existing billing system to trigger the WVA's collection of funds from health plans for privately-insured children.

Welcoming a New Administrator

In January 2020, the WVA retained Helms & Company, Inc. (Helms), a New Hampshire-based company with experience in running state vaccine programs, to administer the Association. Working with the Board and Executive Director, Helms has brought new ideas and perspective to our Association, and implemented a myriad of changes to automate processes, develop analytics, fine-tune assessment collection procedures, and refine forecast modeling. These efforts are expected to allow the Board and the Association's members greater visibility into the WVA's finances and operations, bringing forth more transparency and accountability. We are excited about the changes and their expected impact.





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MAINTAINING STABILITY DURING A PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

This year our strategic partner, the Washington State Department of Health (DOH), undertook extraordinary efforts to guarantee that the Childhood Vaccination Program (CVP) was minimally impacted by the COVID-19 outbreak that caused closures of provider offices and school-based clinics, government furloughs, and limited department resources.

We are pleased to report that:

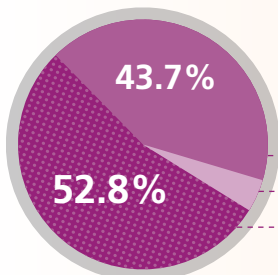
- The DOH saw roughly the same number of doses wasted due to expiration and spoilage from July 2019 - June 2020 compared to the previous year. In FY 2020, the DOH saw an overall dosage wastage rate of 2.4% due to expiration and spoilage. This is well below the CDC requirement of 5% and in line with prior years.
- The DOH completed 92% of site visits on time despite challenges faced surrounding in-person contact during the pandemic.
- Provider enrollment in the CVP remained relatively stable with 1,012 provider clinics enrolled at the end of June 2019 compared to 1,016 enrolled at the end of June 2020.



Number of Washington children
0-18 yrs who had one vaccine in 2019

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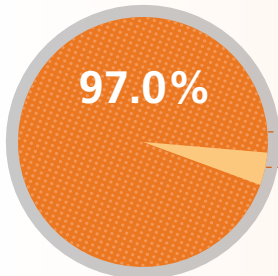
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020



Childhood Vaccine Funding Sources

Estimated Total: \$156,595,734

- WVA Vaccine Assessments
- 3.5% | State Childhood Healthcare Insurance Programs
- Federal Vaccine for Children Funds



WVA Program Expenditures

Total: \$68,422,457

- Remittance to WA for Vaccine Costs*
- 3.0% | Operating Costs

*This chart reflects funding for WVA-funded vaccines on a cash basis. The audited financials are available at www.wavaccine.org.

