



WVA COLLECTED OVER
\$628 Million

FOR CHILD VACCINES IN WASHINGTON

2010-2020

WHO WE ARE

Washington Vaccine Association (WVA) is a public/private partnership created by statute in 2010 to provide adequate funds for Washington State's purchase of pediatric vaccines. Together with federal and other funding sources, WVA's assessment dollars from health plans enables the state to continue its universal childhood vaccination program.

HISTORY

In May 2010, Washington State discontinued the use of state tax dollars to support the purchase of pediatric vaccine for privately insured children. In order to continue the state's purchase of all recommended pediatric vaccines, (and not limit the childhood vaccination program to indigent level, publicly-insured children), the legislature mandated health plans to pay an assessment to WVA to fund the state's purchase of vaccines for privately insured children. Allowing the state to continue its "universal" vaccination program. Under the program, both providers and patients receive recommended vaccines without cost.

LEADERSHIP

WVA is governed by a Board, comprised of representatives from the four largest health carriers, the largest health maintenance organization, a health carrier not otherwise represented, a Taft Hartley Plan, a Washington State self-funded plan, two physicians and a Washington Department of Health (DOH) representative.



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Ensuring Funds for Childhood Vaccines





WHAT WE DO

Partnering with the DOH, WVA makes it possible for:

- Enrolled physicians, clinics, and hospitals to receive state-supplied vaccines at no cost for all children seen at the practice.
- All children to have easy access to critical vaccines.
- All payers to participate in one of the most efficient, cost-effective systems in the country for purchasing and distributing childhood vaccines.

How state-supplied vaccines are funded

Insurers and third-party administrators now pay for administered vaccines based on a per dosage assessment. WVA collects these payments and transfers the funds to the state on a just-in-time basis.

Through its Childhood Vaccine Program, the DOH buys the vaccines at federal contract rates (through the Vaccines for Children Program) and distributes them to physicians, clinics, hospitals, and other enrolled providers.

This ensures that all Washington State children have access to recommended vaccines regardless of insurance status.

 **1025**
PROVIDERS

 **373**
APPROX. PAYORS

Powerful Benefits

No provider financing costs or risk of loss

Instead of fronting significant dollars to purchase vaccines from the private market, providers receive pediatric vaccines from the DOH and use their existing billing system to trigger WVA's collection of funding from payers.

Consolidated ordering, delivery, and storage

The DOH provides support for one vaccine ordering process regardless of patient insurance status. This avoids providers having to navigate complex ordering systems and from keeping separate vaccine storage inventories.

WVA HAS FUNDED

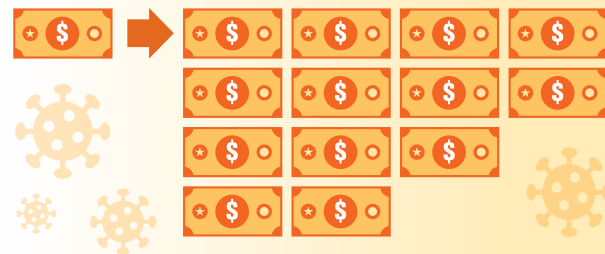


12.24
MILLION
DOSES OF
VACCINE



SAVED BY WVA
IN VACCINE COSTS

\$1 spent on vaccines = **\$13** saved in direct health costs



ALL INFOGRAPHICS REFLECT DATA COMPILED FROM 2010-2020.

Stable vaccine supply

Providers can focus on patient needs and have the full compliment of recommended vaccines on hand without bearing financial risk.

Healthcare savings

The DOH bulk purchases all pediatric vaccines at federal contract rates, which are typically 15-60% lower than private purchasing alternatives, thus, WVA assessments save in costs.

Centralized vaccine management

The DOH manages the vaccine supply, ensuring the most vulnerable populations have access to vaccine material during outbreaks or shortages.

Reducing barriers to immunizations

By making it easier for providers to obtain vaccines, universal purchase can increase immunization rates.

