

SUVA WASHINGTON VACCINE ASSOCIATION

2023 Annual Report

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

As I reflect upon this past year's work, I am grateful to all the individuals who have enabled the WVA to become a successful, well-managed non-profit. This past year has been one of growth and development as we prepared for COVID vaccine commercialization and welcomed a new employee tasked with stakeholder relations outreach. As new and more expensive childhood vaccines have been added to the routine immunization schedule. the WVA's role has become increasingly important in ensuring all Washington kids have equal access to these critical vaccines. The last two years' work in stakeholder building and operational precision has increased operational efficiency, allowing the WVA to focus on communication improvements and enhanced provider and payer resources.

The WVA has continued to maintain its reserve targets, and the Board voted to only make a minimal cost adjustment for inflation in assessments after three years of holding the assessment grid steady. The WVA remains fiscally ready to be adaptive as pediatric immunization evolves.

Thank you again to all the individuals and institutions that make universal vaccine purchase for Washington State's children possible.

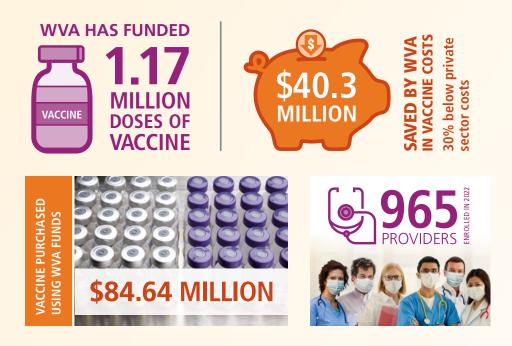
John Dunn, MD Board Chairman

Thirteen Years of Stable Vaccine Funding for Washington State Children

The Washington Vaccine Association (WVA) is excited once again to share the important benefits of our state's unique 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 provide significant cost savings versus private market costs.
- **Stable Vaccine Supply.** Providers can focus on patient needs and have the full complement of recommended vaccines on hand to immunize children.
- **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.

BY THE NUMBERS





Expanding our support base to improve our response



Cheri Cagle, Stakeholder Liaison



Lisa White, Customer and Financial Support Specialist

This year, the WVA welcomed a new employee and Tacoma resident, Cheri Cagle, as the Stakeholder Liaison of the Washington Vaccine Association. Cheri is a Certified Professional Coder and has worked in a pediatric office setting for over 24 years. Her previous position provided her with the ability to gain proficient knowledge in medical coding, billing, and revenue cycle management. She has experience communicating with insurance companies on various matters such as claim denials, payment edits, contracts, and credentialing.

She will be joining **Lisa White**, Customer and Financial Support Specialist, who we've been relying solely upon for the past three years. Lisa White has worked in numerous sectors including healthcare, legal, and education. She has direct experience in customer service, insurance processing, and health information management work, and holds both a Master of Science degree and a Juris Doctorate.

We are excited to expand our support base to

improve our response time to stakeholder inquiries and our capacity for proactive and onsite provider trainings. We are confident that with Lisa and Cheri's decades of experience, the WVA will be able to meet the needs of our healthcare partners as the WVA evolves to support Washington's Childhood Vaccination Program.



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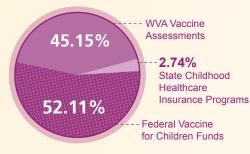
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FINANCIALS

Childhood Vaccine Funding Sources Estimated Total: \$184,626,596



July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

WVA Program Expenditures Total: \$84,686,457



Remittance to WA for Vaccine Costs This chart reflects funding for WVA-funded vaccines on a cash basis. The audited financials are available at <u>www.wavaccine.org</u>.

- 2.1% Operating Costs

