



# Region 4 MCIR News

## Fall 2006

### *Awards of Excellence*

Congratulations to two regional provider offices which received the Region 4 MCIR Award of Excellence! Bay Pediatric Clinic, PC in Bay County and The Children's Office in Genesee County each were recognized because of their ongoing dedication to utilizing MCIR and achieving high immunization rates. Thanks to both provider sites for your Excellence in providing immunization services.

#### **Bay Pediatric Clinic, Inc.**



Dr. Sundara and Dr. Devanagondi and their staff (above and right) at Bay Pediatric Clinic received a MCIR Award of Excellence.

Bay Pediatric Clinic, Inc. in Bay City has shown true dedication to immunizing their patients by incorporating MCIR into their every day office routine. As a result the immunization rate for the practice has climbed steadily to 91%. One key reason this practice is so successful is that a MCIR record is printed and an assessment completed on each child that comes in for



any type of appointment. This assures that there are not missed opportunities to keep immunizations up-to-date. Historical data from other providers are entered into MCIR records to assure accurate assessment for each child.

#### **The Children's Office**

The Children's Office in Flint has made MCIR a high priority in their office. All staff work together to assure that patients are fully immunized and use MCIR routinely to assess vaccination status for patients. Current and historical data



are entered on a timely basis. The practice takes special initiatives to increase immunizations rates in patients, such as utilization of MCIR provider profiles and AFIX. Achieving an immunization rate of

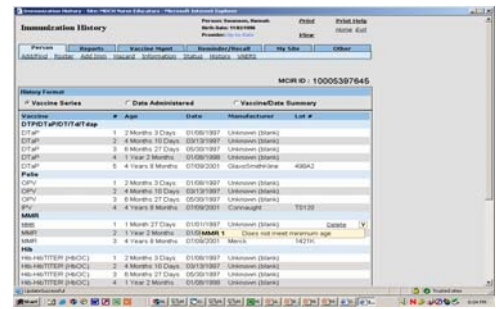
92%, this practice has shown true devotion to their patients and to the utilization of MCIR.



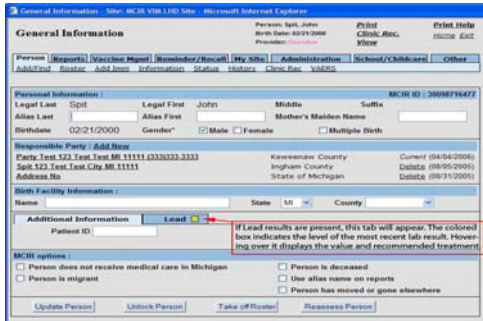
The staff and physicians (above and left) of The Children's Office received recognition with a MCIR Award of Excellence. Included above are Dr. Sanchez, Dr. Horning, Dr. Allyn, Dr. Murphy and Dr. Chrenka. Not in the photo is Dr. Simmert.

# What's New in MCIR

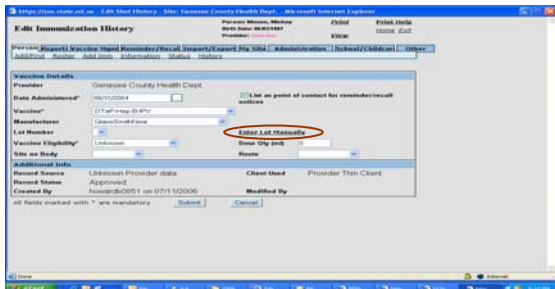
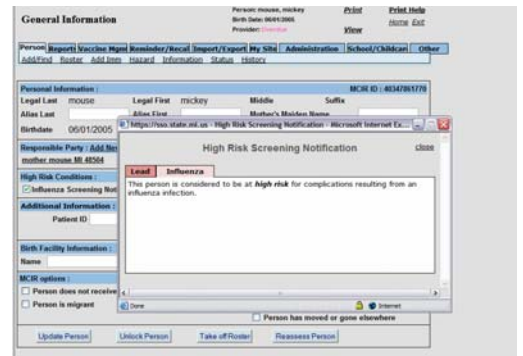
- **The Y-Button** is now viewable by local health departments and provider offices. This button flags invalid doses on a person's immunization history screen. The reason a dose is invalid will appear by hovering the mouse over the button. Please contact your local health department for any invalid dose assessment questions.



- **Lead testing lab results** from the state are now displayed by MCIR. A lead tab will appear on the general information screen in a person's record if there is a lab result recorded on that person. Move the mouse over the color coded lead test tab to display the value and the recommended treatment. Click on the lead tab to access the lab results, specimen date, specimen ID, sample type, and date reported to MCIR. The lead tab also has a *more link* to access a complete list of follow-up recommendations for test results.



- An **influenza screening notification field** is now available under the new heading *High Risk Condition* on the general information page in a person's MCIR record. MCIR users may check the influenza screening notification box if a patient in their clinic has a high-risk condition and should be vaccinated for influenza. This will activate the pop-up window to alert providers to vaccinate this person with influenza vaccine. MCIR will automatically have the high-risk flag checked if a child has been diagnosed with a high-risk condition and is on Medicaid.




- **Manual entry of lot numbers** is now possible in the *Edit Immunization* box by clicking on the name of the vaccine to be edited on the history page in a person's record. In the Edit box click on *Enter Lot Manually* to the right of the lot number box which converts the box to allow manual entry. Enter the lot number and click on *Submit*.

**Congratulations to our last contest prize winner, Fannie Mendoza, from the practice of Gregorio Imperial, MD in Genesee County!**

Wondering if you got the correct answers last time? The answers for the summer contest were:

1. The new name for MCIR is the Michigan **Care Improvement** Registry.
2. The Add/Find feature now looks for a **person** instead of a child.
3. VIS stands for **Vaccine Information Sheet**.
4. Vaccine lot numbers are now entered under **Vaccine Preferences** before adding vaccination doses.

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## CONTEST !

Answer the following questions for a chance to win! Participants with all the correct answers will be placed in a drawing for a \$10.00 gift certificate to Applebee's. E-mail or FAX the answers to the regional staff by November 20, 2006.

1. The Y button flags invalid doses in a person's record on the \_\_\_\_\_ screen.
2. If a person has been tested for lead a \_\_\_\_\_ will appear on the general information page in their record to access results.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ should only be chosen when entering vaccinations given by another provider.
4. An influenza screening notification field is now available under the new heading \_\_\_\_\_ on the general information page in a person's MCIR record.