



Region 4 MCIR News

Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) Summer 2008

Awards of Excellence

Congratulations to two provider offices who received the Region 4 Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) Award of Excellence! The practices of Dr. Thomas Teal in Chesaning and Dr. Jorge Plasencia in Saginaw were recognized because of their dedication to utilizing MCIR to achieve high immunization rates. Thank you for your Excellence in providing immunization services.

Thomas Teal, MD



Thomas Teal, MD and staff at Chesaning Family Medicine received a Region 4 MCIR Award of Excellence. Pictured from the left are Dr. Teal, Linda Lanczynski, Jill Birchmeier, Kelly Kulhanek, Nancy Hanson, Lesa Sherman and Diana Hayes.

Dr. Thomas Teal and staff at Chesaning Family Medicine are committed to using MCIR to increase their immunization rate. To assure that patients are up-to-date with immunizations, MCIR has been incorporated into their every day office routine.

- MCIR records are printed and an assessment completed for each child during office visits to prevent missed opportunities to immunize.
- Office records are pulled and compared with MCIR records to assure all immunizations have been entered. Children due for vaccination are contacted to schedule an office visit.

Ongoing dedication to their patients and MCIR has increased their immunization rate to 100% for patients aged 19-36 months.

Jorge Plasencia, MD

Dr. Jorge Plasencia and staff have worked together to assure that patients are fully immunized by utilizing MCIR routinely.

- MCIR records are pulled at each visit to assess immunization status for all children.
- Current and historical data are entered on a timely basis.
- MCIR provider profile reports are generated to identify children due for vaccinations. Each child is contacted for an appointment.

Committed to increasing and maintaining a high immunization rate, their rate has increased to 100% for children aged 19-36 months. This practice has shown devotion to their patients and to MCIR.



Jorge Plasencia, MD and staff received recognition with a Region 4 MCIR Award of Excellence. Shown from the left are Dr. Plasencia, Andrea Richardson, Michelle Strobe, and Lisa Metiva.

Michigan Care Improvement Registry Update

- Centralized Ordering and Distribution (COD) training for local health departments and Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers in Region 4 has started and will continue through 2008. Training for the Vaccine Inventory Module (VIM) is now occurring. Training for E-Ordering will be provided at a later date when the system is available on MCIR. VFC Providers will be contacted by their local health department or the Region 4 MCIR office to schedule training.
- A new Vaccine Eligibility category, **Medicaid-Non-VFC**, has been added to the **Eligibility** dropdown list on the **Add Imm** screen. This new category is to be used for any Medicaid patient who is too old to receive VFC vaccine, such as adults with Medicaid, or for children who have Medicaid that you use private inventory for. (This also includes PPD, Synagis, etc).

Congratulations to our last contest prize winner Audrey Sebert from Frankenmuth Family Care.

Wondering if you got the correct answers last time? The answers for the **Spring 2008** contest were:

1. Immunization information you have entered into a MCIR record can be edited or deleted on the **History** screen in a person's record.
2. Chickenpox **immunity** should be entered into a person's record.
3. Immunizations administered to children (age 0 through 19 years) must be entered into MCIR by providers within **72 hours**.



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 card for Target. Email or FAX the answers to the regional staff by **August 22, 2008**.

1. _____ is a new Vaccine Eligibility category that has been added to the Eligibility dropdown list on the *Add Imm* screen.
2. All MCIR users must log-on with their own unique _____ and _____.
3. Report staff changes to the Region 4 Help Desk to prevent _____ to your site from other offices and users.

Don't Forget

- All MCIR users must log-on with their own unique User ID and password. Provider staff should not share a "mutual" log-in for the office. Contact the Region 4 Help Desk for your own User ID and password.
- If your password is not working, contact the Region 4 MCIR Help Desk for assistance getting back onto MCIR. Do not click on the *Register* button on the log-on page, as you are already registered.
- Report staff changes to the Region 4 Help Desk as soon as they occur so that former staff can be removed from your Site Users list. This will prevent invalid access to your site from other offices and users.

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