# Idaho Immunization Program

## The Year in Review

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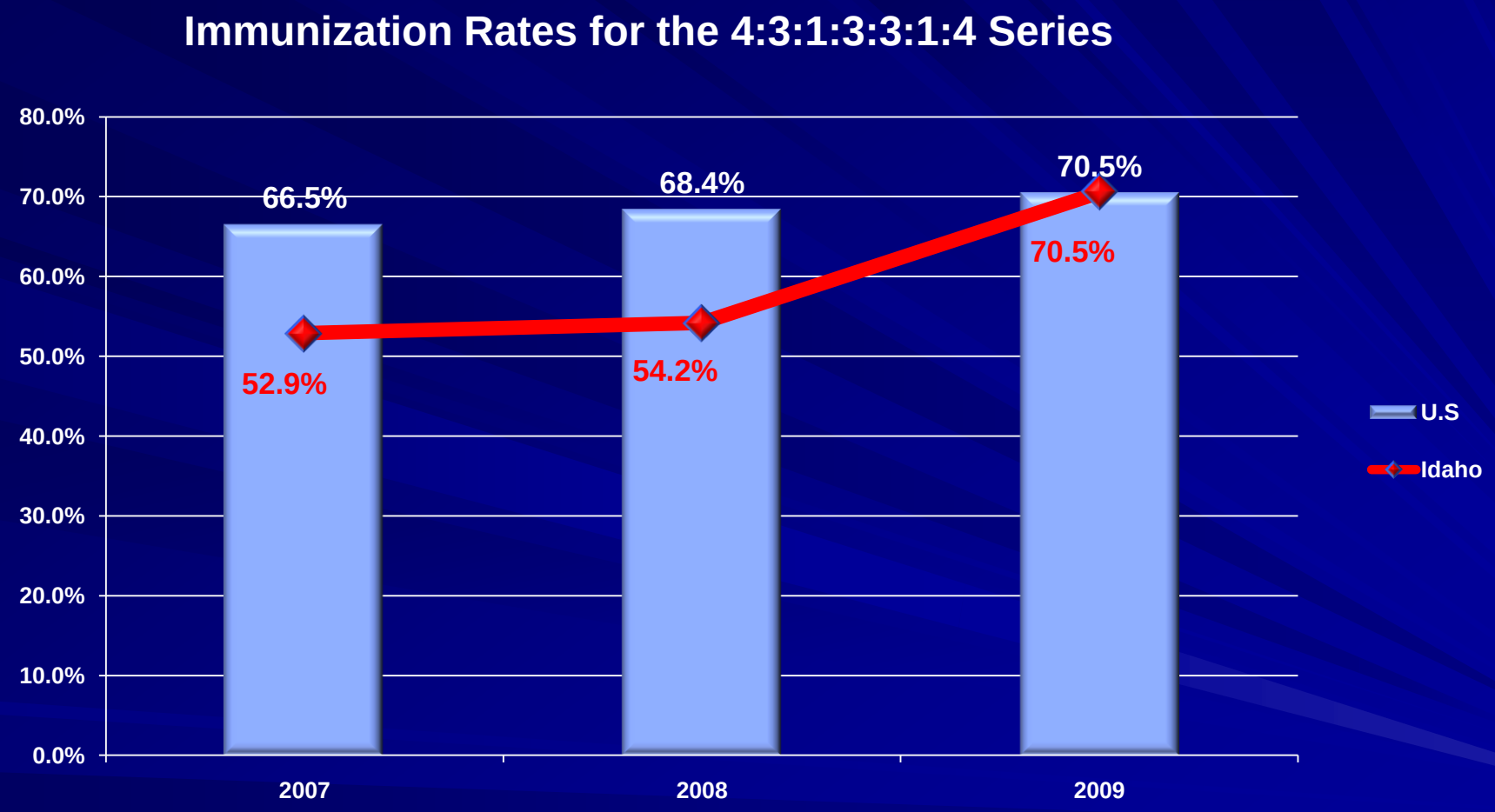
# Immunization Rates



# Current Challenges

- Idaho switching to a new Immunization Information System (IRIS) in March 2012
- CDC and CMS now enforcing the requirement that S-CHIP programs reimburse Immunization Programs for vaccine

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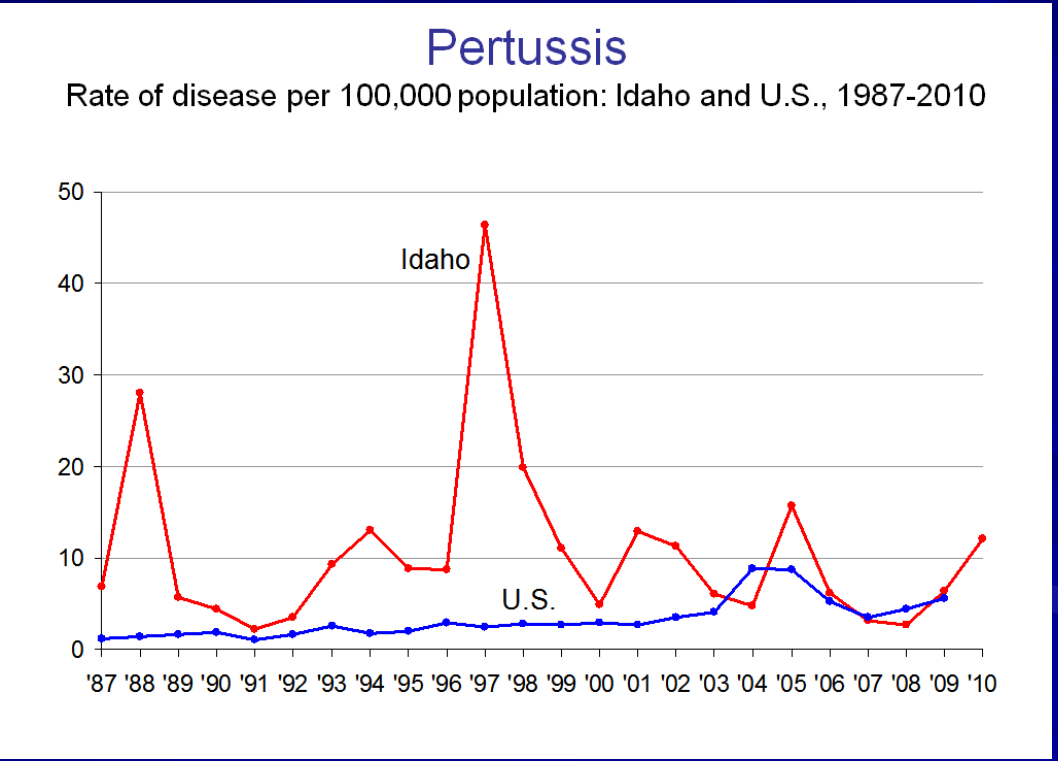
- Rise in pertussis (whooping cough) cases in Idaho



# 2010 Legislative Session

S1335a, H432+H657, H495

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# IRIS Participation after Change to an Opt-out System (S1335a)

| | 7/1/2010 | 8/17/2011 | Increase |
|---|---|---|---|
| Total Number of Patients 0-2 years: | 47,878 | 48,375 | |
| Total Number of Patients 2-6 years: | 113,816 | 121,305 | |
| Total Number of Patients 6-18 years: | 255,200 | 304,344 | |
| Total Number of Patients over 18 years: | 315,809 | 550,345 | |
| **Total Number of Patients:** | **732,739** | **1,024,428** | **291,689 (40%)** |

# Immunization Assessments (H432 & H657)

- System of assessments on insurance carriers was created to maintain vaccine access to all Idaho children
- The Vaccine Assessment Board was created to govern the assessment process
- Dr. Richard Rainey will provide an update on the Assessment Board

# Childhood Immunization Policy Commission (H495)

- Commission is chaired by Dr. Tom Rand
- Meeting quarterly
- Purpose of the commission is to “evaluate policies regarding childhood immunization in Idaho and make recommendations to the Board of Health and Welfare on policy and to the Idaho legislature on legislative action to increase immunization rates”
- Provided advice and input into: rule and statute changes during 2011 Legislative Session; media messages; reaching providers with program-related information
- 39-4805 will sunset on July 1, 2014

# 2011 Legislative Session

IDAPA 16.02.11

IDAPA 16.02.15

H130, S1100,S1101

# Rule Changes

- Updated Rules
  - IDAPA 16.02.11 “Immunization Requirements for Children Attending Licensed Day Care Facilities”
  - 16.02.15 “Immunization Requirements for Idaho School Children”

# Updated Childcare Immunization Requirements

**Requirements are age-appropriate in accordance with CDC's Advisory Committee for Immunization Practices (ACIP) schedule:**

| Immunization Requirement |
| --- |
| Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis |
| Polio |
| Measles, Mumps, and Rubella |
| Hepatitis B |
| Haemophilus influenza type B (Hib) |
| ***Hepatitis A*** |
| ***Varicella*** |
| ***Pneumococcal*** |
| ***Rotavirus*** |

# Updated School Immunization Requirements

## Preschool

- Added preschool to rules in order to align with Idaho Statute which includes preschool.
- Upon admission to preschool, children must be age-appropriately immunized.

| Immunization Requirement |
| --- |
| Measles, Mumps, and Rubella |
| Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis |
| Polio |
| Hepatitis B |
| Hepatitis A |
| Varicella |

# Updated School Immunization Requirements

| Immunization Requirement | Child born on or before September 1, 1999 | Child born after September 1, 1999 through September 1, 2005 | Child born after September 1, 2005 |
|---|---|---|---|
| Measles, Mumps, and Rubella | 1 dose | 2 doses | 2 doses |
| Diphtheria, Tetanus, Pertussis | 4 doses | 5 doses* | 5 doses* |
| **Polio** | 3 doses | 3 doses | **4 doses** |
| Hepatitis B | 3 doses | 3 doses | 3 doses |
| **Hepatitis A** | 0 doses | 0 doses | **2 doses** |
| **Varicella** | 0 doses | 0 doses | **2 doses** |

* 4 doses meet requirements if at least one dose was given on or after the child's 4th birthday.

# Seventh Grade Immunization Requirements

| Immunization Requirement | Child admitted to 7th grade prior to 2011-2012 school year | Child admitted to 7th grade during 2011-2012 school year and each year thereafter |
|---|---|---|
| Tetanus, Diphtheria, Pertussis Booster (Tdap) | 0 doses | 1 dose |
| Meningococcal | 0 doses | 1 dose |

# Statute Changes

- 39-4801 “Immunizations”
- 39-1118 “Basic Daycare Licensing”
  - Both statutes updated to allow for electronic immunization records as proof of immunization.
  - Both statutes updated to allow for other licensed medical personnel to sign immunization records (not just physicians).

# Exemptions

- No change to Idaho law or Administrative Rule eliminated parents' rights to exempt their children from any or all vaccines
- Exemption reasons still include:
  - Medical (signed by a physician)
  - Religious
  - Personal

# Immunization Assessments Changes

- 41-6005, 6006, and 6007 “Immunization Assessments” updated to include:
  - List of vaccines covered by insurance carrier assessment is now tied to ACIP recommendations. All ACIP recommended vaccines will be covered.
  - ACIP recommendations in place in March will apply for the following year.
    - Changes made during the year will be incorporated with next assessment
    - HPV vaccine for males expected to be recommended during the coming year