

# Protecting One Takes Everyone

## Tdap Statewide Special Project

The Oregon Public Health Immunization Program wants to encourage and support your efforts to reach communities with the new Tdap vaccine. Tdap vaccine, resources, and technical support will be made available at no cost to participants.

*In the last several years, four babies in Oregon have died from Pertussis disease. With this project, we hope to prevent further disease and deaths.*

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*Beginning this September, a dose of Tdap vaccine will be required for most Oregon 7<sup>th</sup> graders. With this project, we hope to minimize the rush on Oregon providers, schools and local health departments.*

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*The most common sources of Pertussis in children are caregivers and loved ones: parents, grandparents, siblings, daycare workers, health professionals, and teachers often carry the disease but don't realize they are passing it on.*

### Potential target groups:

- Parents
- Grandparents (<65 years)
- Caretakers of infants and children
- Health care workers
- 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> graders
- Teachers and school staff
- New mothers and fathers
- Women likely to become pregnant
- WIC staff
- Foster and adoption agencies and staff

### Resources Provided by Oregon Immunization Program:

- No-cost Tdap vaccine
- Support and resources for administration and handling
- Resources for patient outreach
- Project Design support and ideas
- Introductions to potential partners
- Volunteer clinician resources

### Potential community partners:

- Schools and Colleges
- Local hospitals, clinics, health departments, pharmacies
- Service organizations
- Retired/volunteer nurses
- EMTs
- Oregon Nurses Association
- AARP
- Local volunteer organizations
- Churches and community groups
- Disaster Response/ Preparedness Agencies
- Health profession students
- Wellness Fairs
- Direct service agencies
- Tribal service agencies
- Refugee service agencies
- Immunization and Health Coalitions

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