



GPRC Bulletin 06-01

SUBJECT: Pneumococcal and Influenza Vaccinations Alert

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TO: Executive Directors

CC: Site Managers, Clinical Directors, GPRC Coordinators

Pneumococcal and Influenza Vaccinations for patients aged 65 and over are GPRC measures for 2006, as they have been in prior years. We want to focus attention on these two measures at this time because:

1. Influenza vaccines arrived late at many sites this year
2. Pneumococcal vaccination rates have been targeted for a significant improvement in 2006 and 2007, as part of Secretary Leavitt's Ten Percent Improvement Plan

Even though the influenza season is half over, there is still significant risk for elders who do not receive this vaccine. The aggregated result for California sites for the period July 1 through December 31 is only 43%, which means a large portion of this population is unprotected. We are enclosing a spreadsheet showing site by site results for your review.

The pneumococcal vaccination rate for the period July 1 through December 31 stands at 71%, and the California target is to increase results by 3 percentile points by June 30, 2006. The Pneumococcal rate is based on patients ever receiving a Pneumococcal vaccination.

The latest version of the Clinical Reporting System (the RPMS software package designed for monitoring and reporting of clinical GPRC measures) includes a new feature that allows clinics to create lists of patients missing any GPRC screening or procedure, so that they can be scheduled for appointments. Patient lists for each vaccination can also be prepared. Specific directions for preparing these lists appear in the CRS User manual beginning on page 126. Please contact [elaine.brinn@ihs.gov](mailto:elaine.brinn@ihs.gov), [Janae.price@ihs.gov](mailto:Janae.price@ihs.gov), [susan.ducore@ihs.gov](mailto:susan.ducore@ihs.gov) or [Cynthia.perez@ihs.gov](mailto:Cynthia.perez@ihs.gov) for additional assistance if needed.

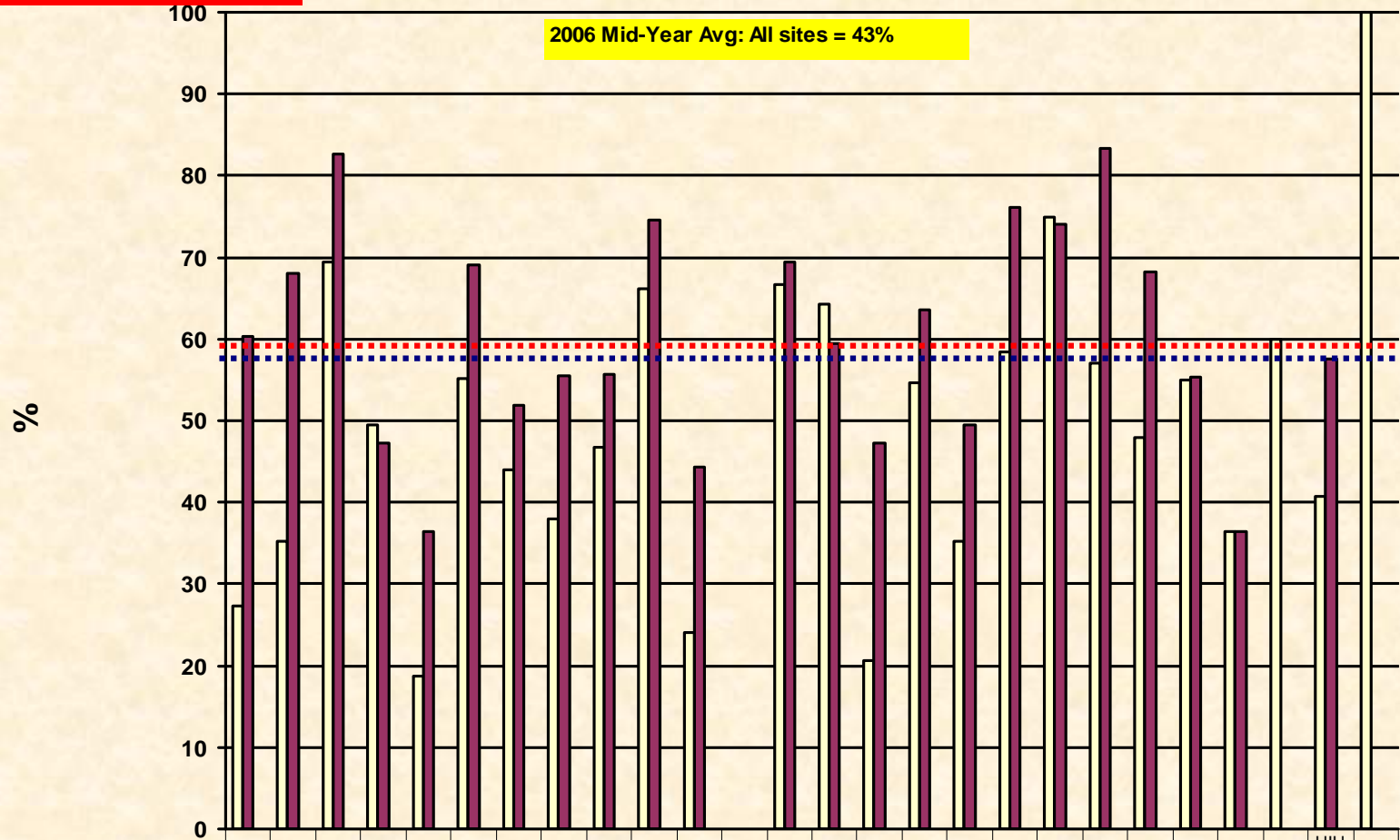
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CA All Sites -2005 Avg = 58%

2006 Target = 59%

# Influenza Vaccination

□ 2006 (Q1 & Q2)  
■ 2005 (End of Year)



	CDE	CON	CVL	FRV	GVL	HPA	IHC	KRK	LAK	LAS	MAC	MOD	NVL	PIT	RSB	RVL	SIH	SON	SS	SYC	SYZ	TOI	TUL	TUO	UIH S	WMT
□ 2006 (Q1 & Q2)	27	35	69	49	19	55	44	38	47	66	24	0	67	64	21	55	35	58	75	57	48	55	36	60	41	100
■ 2005 (End of Year)	60	68	83	47	36	69	52	56	56	75	44	0	69	60	47	64	50	76	74	83	68	55	36	0	58	0
2005 (Q1 & Q2)	43	68	76	49	39	0	48	56	58	78	35	0	70	55	34	63	48	0	74	100	62	54	30	0	0	0