



Full Speed Ahead!

Vaccine Booster Program

Vaccine Survey Readiness

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OBJECTIVES

- Review the importance of your vaccine survey readiness plan.
- Discuss practical survey preparedness tips.
- Identify survey tools and resources.



HSAG | Quickinar Recordings On-Demand

The screenshot shows the HSAG (Health Services Advisory Group) website. At the top, there's a header with the Quality Improvement Organizations logo, HSAG logo, and navigation links: Login, Partners, Employees, Select Language, and a search bar. Below the header, a breadcrumb trail reads: You are here: Home > COVID-19 > Vaccine Resources. The main content area is titled 'Vaccine Resources' and features a large graphic with a speedometer labeled 'Full Speed Ahead!' and a needle pointing towards a 'Goal'. The text next to the graphic says 'Full Speed Ahead! COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Program' and 'Access program materials, resources, and register for the upcoming quickinars and office hours series.' Below this, there's a 'Learn More' button. To the right of the main content, there's a sidebar with a 'COVID-19' section containing links to 'COVID-19 Events', 'Long-Term Care Facilities', 'Contact Us', 'Vaccine Resources' (which is highlighted with a blue arrow), and 'Telehealth Resources'. At the bottom of the page, there's a list of four items, each with a dropdown arrow. The first two items are 'Full Speed Ahead! COVID-19 Vaccine Booster Program' and 'Full Speed Ahead! COVID-19 Vaccination Recognition Program'. The last two items are partially visible and appear to be the same as the first two.

Past Topics Covered

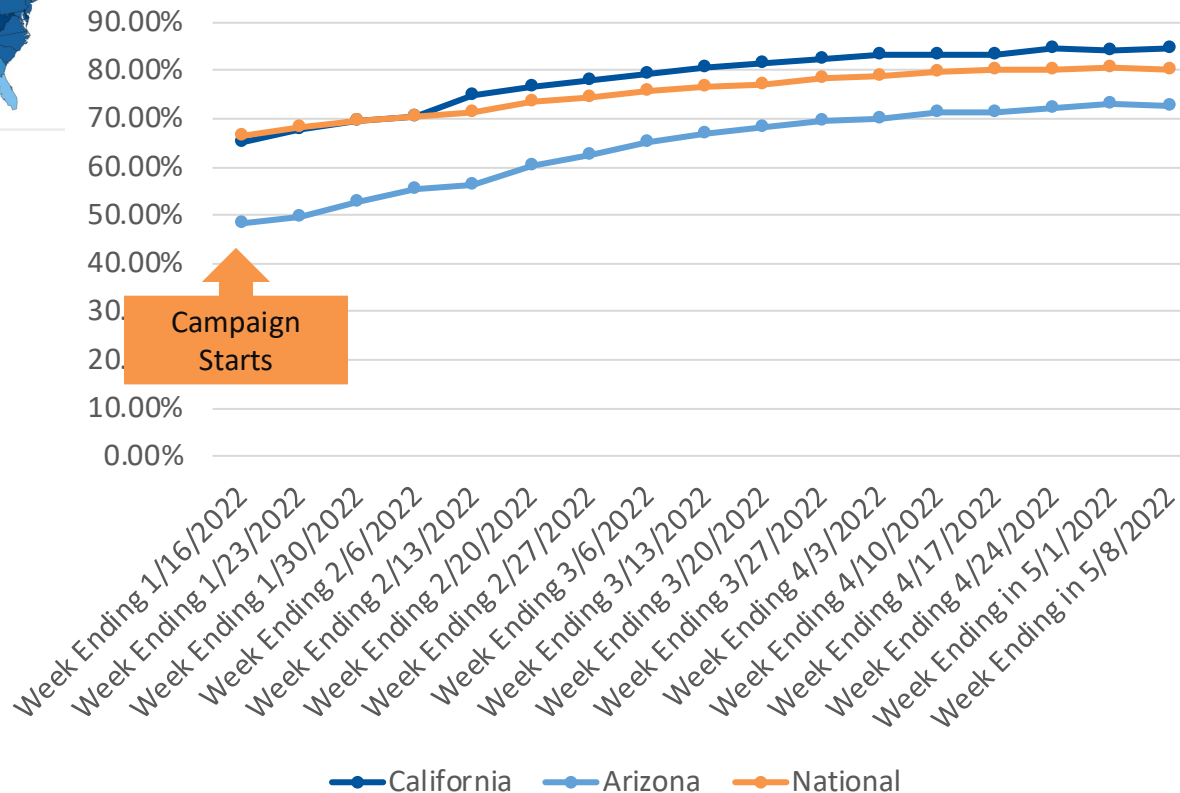
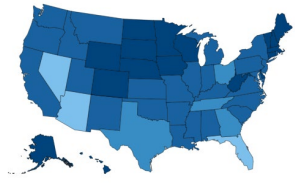
- Week 10: Short-Stay Issues
- Week 11: Success Stories
- Week 12: NHSN Updates
- Week 13: MI
- Week 14: New IP Resources
- Week 15: The Second Booster
- Week 16: Rediscover Your QAPI Program

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<https://www.hsag.com/covid-19/vaccine-resources>

NHSN = National Healthcare Safety Network, MI= Motivational Interviewing, IP = Infection Prevention,
QAPI = Quality Assurance & Performance Improvement

Resident Booster Rates—Improvement



Current

U.S.: 79.9%
CA: 84.7%
AZ: 72.7%

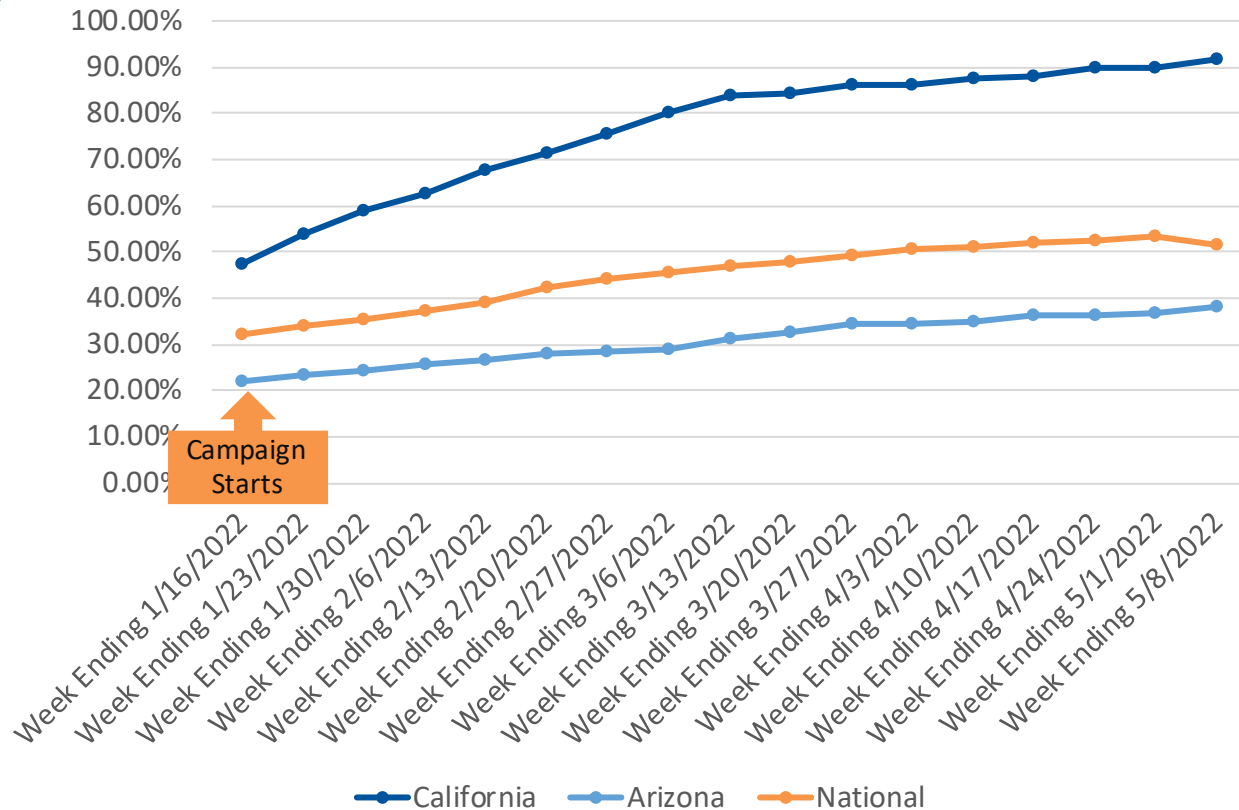
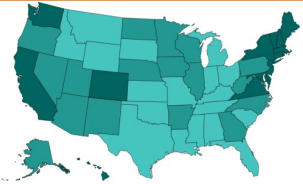
Relative Improvement

U.S.: 19.9%
CA: 29.9%
AZ: 49.9%



<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/covid19/ltc-vaccination-dashboard.html>

Staff Booster Rates—Improvement



<https://www.cdc.gov/nhsn/covid19/ltc-vaccination-dashboard.html>



Vaccine Survey Readiness

Poll Question

- If a surveyor walked into your facility tomorrow, would you be prepared?
 - Yes
 - No
 - Unsure



COVID-19 Staff Vaccination Matrix

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Tips and Best Practices

- Best practice is to be prepared for survey ahead of time
 - Matrix up to date
 - Cross-check comparison of NHSN data to matrix,
 - Regularly review NHSN/QIES citations
- Vaccination status documentation will be requested by the surveyor within four hours of the start of the survey, including:
 - Weekly audit of vaccination data
- Vaccinated and exempt staff
 - Medical and religious
 - Testing records for exempt staff

Tips and Best Practices (cont.)

- NHSN
 - Consider multiple NHSN users
 - Gain Administrator access
 - Ensure accurate data reporting
 - Utilize the NHSN Event Level Module to record all vaccination data.
 - Understand vaccine data used by surveyors:
https://download.cms.gov/covid_nhsn/covid-19%20nursing%20home%20resident%20and%20staff%20vaccination%20rates.xlsx

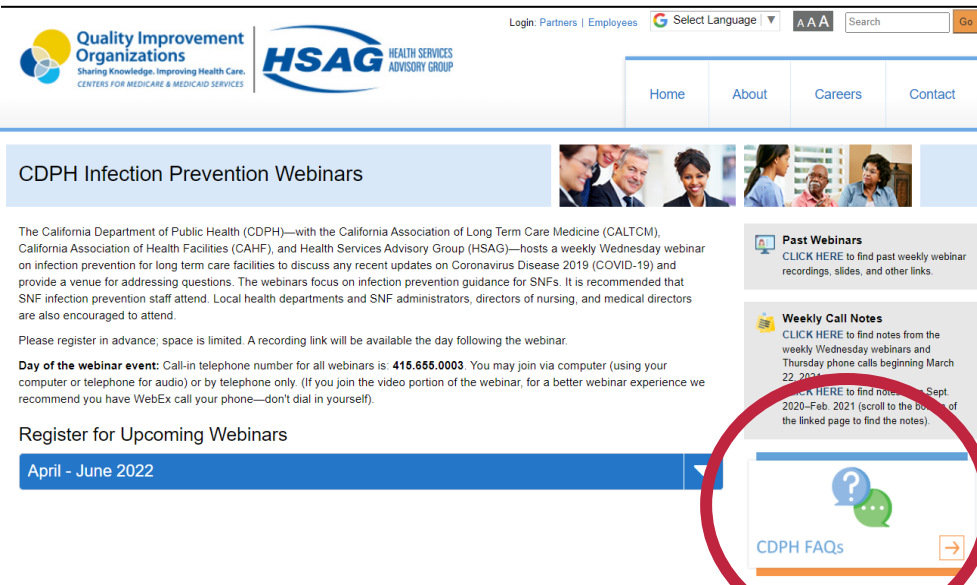
Upcoming NHSN Changes – May 2022

- COVID-19 vaccination data will no longer be reported by vaccine manufacturer for questions on primary vaccine series and additional/booster doses.
- Review all email communication from NHSN and attend trainings
- Develop or update data tracking mechanisms to collect weekly COVID-19 vaccination data on residents and healthcare personnel for any additional questions
- CDC will host a webinar on May 25 at 11 a.m. PST to review these changes.

Booster Resources

- California Department of Public Health (CDPH) All Facilities Letter(AFL)
 - <https://www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CHCQ/LCP/Pages/AFL-22-09.aspx>
- Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Entrance Conference Worksheet
 - [Entrance Conference recert rev for COVID vaccine \(cmscompliancegroup.com\)](https://www.cms.compliancegroup.com/Entrance-Conference-recert-rev-for-COVID-vaccine)
- QSEP Surveyor Training
 - [QSEP - Driving Healthcare Quality \(cms.gov\)](https://www.cms.gov/qsep)
- CMS Nursing Homes Resource Page
 - [Nursing Homes | CMS](https://www.cms.gov/nursing)

New Wednesday CDPH Webinar FAQ Document



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CDPH Infection Prevention Webinars

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH)—with the California Association of Long Term Care Medicine (CALTCM), California Association of Health Facilities (CAHF), and Health Services Advisory Group (HSAG)—hosts a weekly Wednesday webinar on infection prevention for long term care facilities to discuss any recent updates on Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) and provide a venue for addressing questions. The webinars focus on infection prevention guidance for SNFs. It is recommended that SNF infection prevention staff attend. Local health departments and SNF administrators, directors of nursing, and medical directors are also encouraged to attend.

Please register in advance; space is limited. A recording link will be available the day following the webinar.

Day of the webinar event: Call-in telephone number for all webinars is: **415.655.0003**. You may join via computer (using your computer or telephone for audio) or by telephone only. (If you join the video portion of the webinar, for a better webinar experience we recommend you have WebEx call your phone—don't dial in yourself).

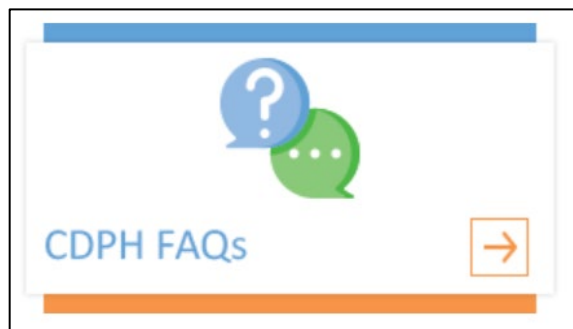

Register for Upcoming Webinars

April - June 2022

Past Webinars
CLICK HERE to find past weekly webinar recordings, slides, and other links.

Weekly Call Notes
CLICK HERE to find notes from the weekly Wednesday webinars and Thursday phone calls beginning March 22, 2020.

CDPH FAQs

California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
Center for Health Care Quality
Skilled Nursing Facilities Infection Prevention Call

Frequently Asked Questions

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Action Item

- What is one action you can take this week to strengthen your vaccine survey readiness?



Next Week's Topic: Staff Burnout and Psychological PPE



Friday, May 20

11:30 a.m. PT

Register Here:

<https://bit.ly/FullSpeedAheadBoosterProgram>



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