Virginia Department of Health Initiatives and Priorities

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VDH Responsibilities

Communicable disease prevention and control

Environmental health hazards protection

Emergency preparedness and response/emergency medical services

Health assessment, promotion and education

Health planning, quality oversight and access to care



VDH Responsibilities

Drinking water protection

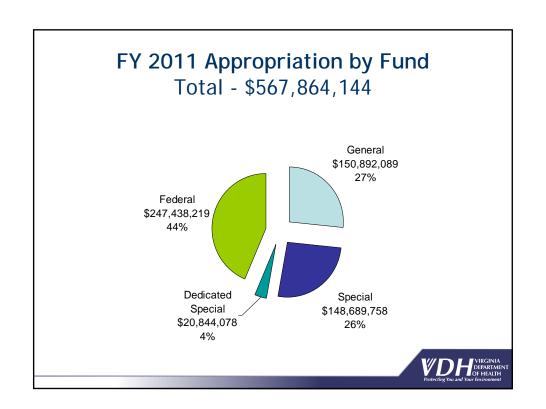
Vital records and health statistics

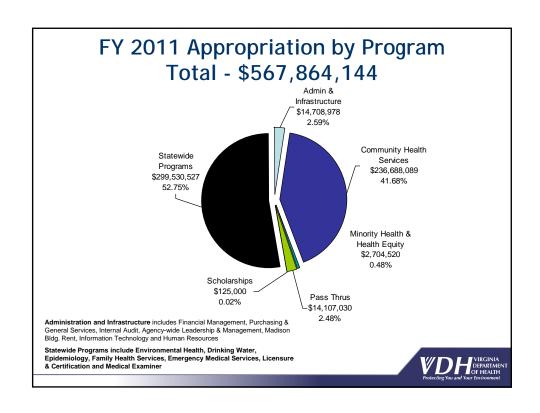
Medical examiner and anatomical services

Administrative and support services

Financial assistance to improve access to health care and emergency medical services





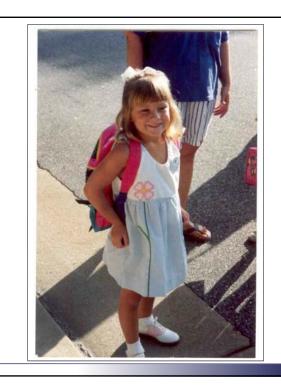


Health Department Statewide Locations

- Total Statewide Locations-202
 - Local Health Departments and Satellite Offices 182
 - Program and Field Offices 18
 - · Central Office 1
 - · Warehouse and Pharmacy 1



Nurse's Settlement, N 7th Street, Richmond, VA. -1910



The Goal-

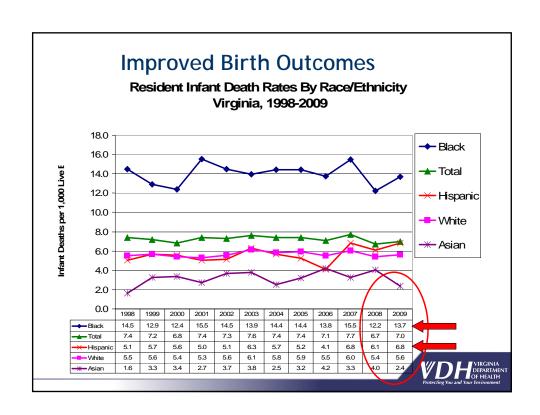
Healthy pregnancy and infancy

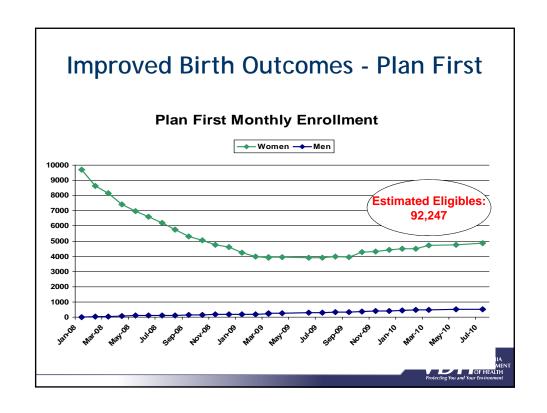
Normal weight and activity

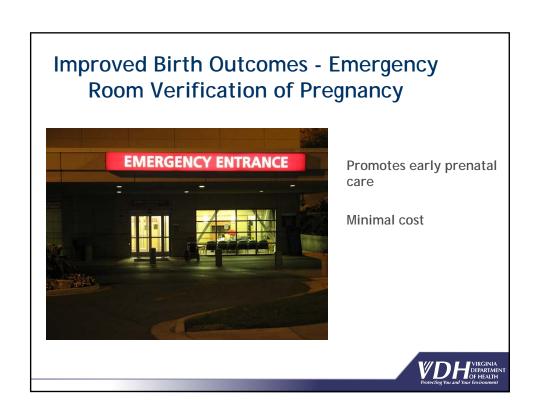
All vaccinations and preventive care

A healthy home and environment









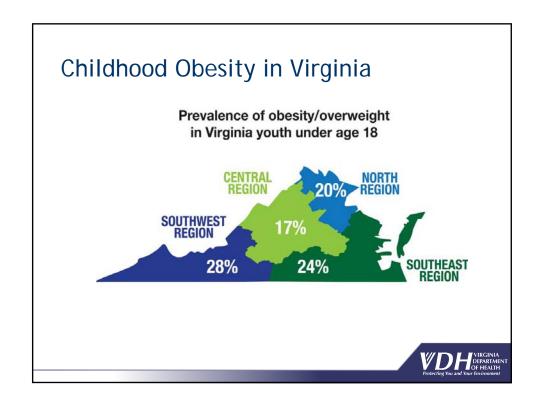
Improved Birth Outcomes - text4baby





TO ENROLL: TEXT "BABY" OR "BEBE" to 511411





Safe Routes to School













Virginia Immunization Information System VIIS?

A secure web-based database that tracks immunization information about individual patients

Data is received from clinical practices and health systems

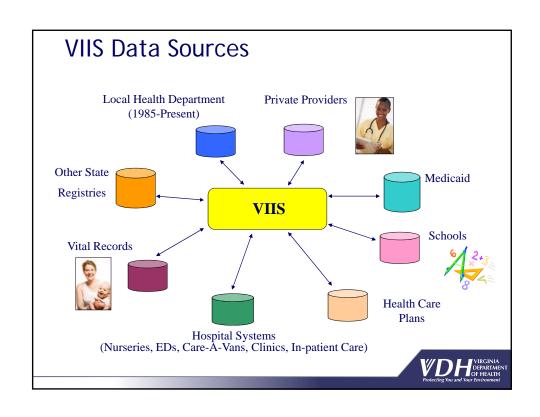
Purpose: provide clinicians with an up-to-date comprehensive patient immunization history at each visit

VIIS currently has

- 5.7 million clients
- 3,000+ public and private providers
- 29 million immunizations

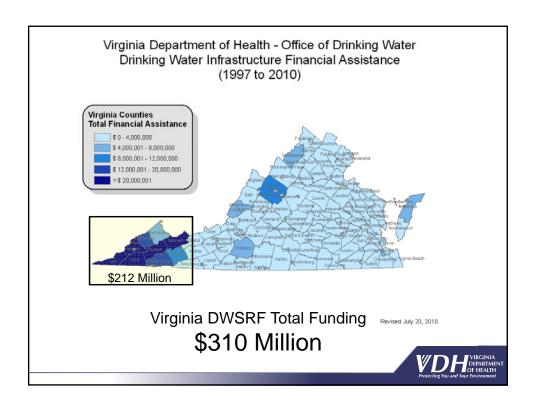






Vaccination Coverage in Local Health Districts Measured by VIIS compared to WebVISION March 1, 2010 - June 30,2010

Region	Series 431331	Series 4313314
Eastern	+ 22%	+ 24%
Northern	+ 3%	+ 5%
Northwest	+ 9%	+ 13%
Central	+ 4%	+ 9%
Southwest	+ 10%	+ 15%
State	+ 9%	+ VDH VIRG N
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VDH and the Clinical Community-Strengthening our Partnerships

Clinician Letters on issues of Public Health Urgency - 12 this year

CME Courses for Providers on Public Health Issues- 10 per year

Interactive Listserve to provide additional information of interest to clinical community

These letters and courses are posted on the VDH website and linked to DHP website

http://www.vdh.state.va.us/clinicians/index.htm



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My last communication shared with you information about the use of the Virginia Immunization information System (VIS) and the ability to per-engine to no an IIIV1 succuration. Demonstrating once again you inductively and desire to be per of Virginia a trapeous, over 160 executions of the property of the period of the perio

Labo want to encourage everyone to think broadly when supporting seasonal flu and novel IIIN1 vaccination. For instance, did you know that we have a sour and \$6.000 pregnant women in Virginia each year, but only 179 of this high-risk group receive flu waccine? Our obstiticions, mility practitioners and pollutinicians are working to be sear their patients and mothers receive vaccine, but by including opportunities and education about the importunce of flu waccination in such pregnancy-clerid activities as Lamace classes, relial orbits extenting to metality needs, pollutinic offices, etc. we should be able to further improve our protection of these women. Lake you to work with your hospitals to encourage this contracts.



VDH/VCU Masters in Public Health Education Partnership





Questions???

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