

The United States is facing a significant vaccination deficit for school-age children, especially adolescents, due to the pandemic.

Public childhood vaccine doses are down

## 11.2 million

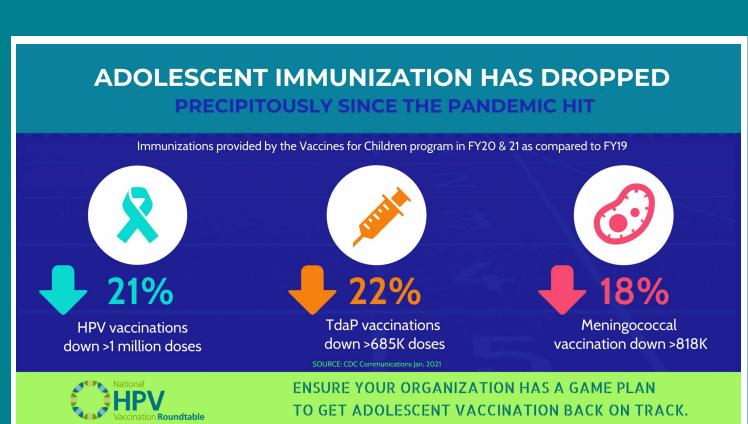
non-influenza doses as of February 28, 2021











## If COVID-19 vaccine is approved for ages 12+ this summer, current recommendations include:



No other vaccines 14 days before

No vaccines 3-4 weeks in between two-dose vaccine

No vaccines 14 days after

This means there's a possibility of an 8 week blackout for recommended vaccines during the usual back-to-school vaccination season.

Stay current with CDC guidelines at:

It is crucial that we catch up on adolescent vaccination earlier than usual in 2021 to ensure a safer return to in-person schooling.

## Health systems are part of the solution! Implement an Early Summer Immunization Initiative March - May 2021



## **Communicate Proactively with** Families:

measures · Promote the availability of appointments

• Tell families about office safety

- Activate multiple channels to
- communicate with parents including calls, texts, e-mails and patient portals
- Use social messages and videos

from the HPV Roundtable



**Activate** Reminder/Recall Efforts

- · Review current adolescent rates by site & provider Pull overdue and newly due patient
- Send <u>letters/emails</u> inviting
- patients in for annual well child visits and immunizations
- Call patients to schedule well child and immunization visits



Miss No **Opportunity** to Vaccinate

- · Educate all care team members on the growing vaccination gap
- Use standing orders to increase immunization capacity
- Offer all ACIP-recommended
- vaccines at every visit Consider recommending HPV

vaccination starting at age 9

· Expand hours and locations for well child and immunization-only

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