## Flu Prevention in Your Healthy Arizona Worksite

The Arizona Partnership for Immunization





#### Introductions

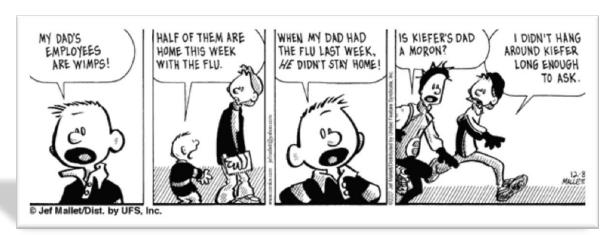






#### Goals

- Answer your questions
- Describe "business benefits"
- Convince you to give flu the respect it deserves!







#### Starting with the Why

Start with the Why: How Great Leaders Inspire Everyone to Take Action

Simon Sinek (2009)







## We thought your WHY might be



## Why the scary video?

- Flu is pretty scary
- Healthy people get the flu
- Healthy people get seriously sick from flu
- Convince you to give flu the respect it deserves!









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\$16.3 billion in lost earnings annually

Molinari NA, et al. Vaccine 25 (2007)





#### Mission

We foster community wellness and advocate for good public policy and best immunization practices.

#### Role in the Flu System

Community education, Resources





## All About Flu





## What am I Talking About?

- What's the big deal with flu?
- How good is the vaccine?
- The principle of herd immunity
- How to protect the most vulnerable





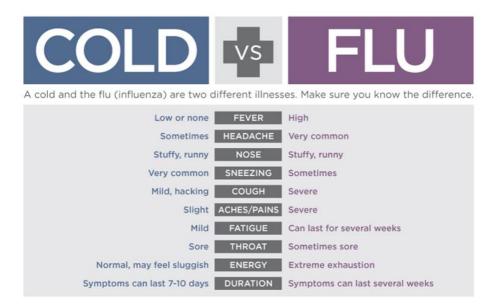
#### Influenza

#### **Etiology**

- Virus
- Transmission: Contaminated respiratory droplets
- Incubation period:1-4 days

#### **Complications**

 Bronchitis, pneumonia, worsening of chronic health conditions, death



www.marshfieldclinic.org





#### Flu is nothing to Sneeze at...

Infection rate

5 - 20%

Actually higher?

Up to 77% asymptomatic

Work days lost

Up to 111M (\$7 Billion)

Hospitalizations

> 200,000

Deaths

3,000 - 49,000

Cost

\$27 - \$87 Billion





#### It has been estimated that each year in the United States, flu results in:

#### the **benefits** of **flu vaccination** 2014-2015

The estimated number of influenza-associated **illnesses prevented** by flu vaccination during the 2014-2015 season:

1.9 million



greater than the population of the city of Philadelphia

The estimated number of flu-associated **medical visits prevented** by vaccination during the 2014-2015 season:

966,000



as many people as can fit in Manhattan's Times Square

The estimated number of flu hospitalizations prevented during the 2014-2015 season:

**67,000** 



as many people as Seattle's Seahawks stadium can seat

get vaccinated



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

DATA: www.odc.gov/llu/about/disease/2014-15.htm Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR), October 4-November 28, 2015: Vol. 64, No. 4i NCIRDig-529 | 12.10.2015

www.cdc.gov/flu

\*Annual motor vehicle deaths: 33,783, for comparison



DC. MMWR 59 2010 (30-YEAR RANGE)



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## Herd Immunity

**AKA:** Community Immunity, Cocooning



#### Cocooning

**Cocooning** is a vaccination strategy that encompasses full protection for infants by vaccinating all persons who come in contact with them.

Under the strategy of cocooning, which of the following groups should be vaccinated?

- Parents
- Pets
- Healthcare workers
- Siblings
- Child care workers
- Family friends
- Grandparents





## Vaccine Effectiveness by Age

Age Group	% Effective against lab- confirmed flu
6 mo. – 17 yrs.	67%
18 – 49 yrs.	60%
50 – 64 yrs.	60%
≥ 65 yrs.	52%
Overall	61%





## But better rates at preventing consequences in high-risk

#### Decreases in Hospitalizations

- 77% among ≥50 yrs in 2011-12;
- 61% among >50 yrs over 3 flu seasons;
- 79% among persons with diabetes;
- 52% among persons with lung disease;
- 92% among infants (whose moms were vaccinated during pregnancy).





#### Other benefits for High-Risk

- Decreased cardiac events
- Subjectively milder illness
- Decreased ICU admissions
- Decreased asthma exacerbations



## True or False?

The flu shot can give you the flu.



#### False!!!!!!

The flu shot is made up of pieces of flu virus particles that cannot cause illness. Sometimes when your body responds to a vaccine you feel a little run down for a day or two. That is really just your immune system working not symptoms of a disease.



#### But what about side effects?

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	Vaccine	Placebo	Vaccine	Placebo
Fever	6.2%	6.1%	5.7	4.2
Fatigue	18.9	19.4	8.0	7.7
Malaise	16.0	17.5	7.2	6.3
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#### Options

#### **Inactivated Quadrivalent**

- 2 Influenza A and B viruses.
  - Injection (6months & older)
  - Intradermal (18 64 yrs)

#### **Inactivated Trivalent**

- 2 Influenza A viruses and 1 B virus.
  - Injection (6months & older)
  - High Dose (<u>></u>65 yrs)
  - Adjuvant (<u>></u>65 yrs)
  - Recombinant , Egg-Free (≥18 yrs)



#### Confused???

#### Do not delay getting immunized!!!!!

The important thing is to get vaccinated against Influenza.



## What is your Flu IQ?







# Getting vaccinated against the flu not only reduces absenteeism but also reduces presenteeism\*.

The result of presenteeism includes:

- A. Employees continue to work while sick
- **B.** Reduced productivity, same labor costs
- C. Chance of infecting other co-workers
- D: All of the above

<sup>\*</sup> Presenteeism is defined as attending work while sick







#### D: All of the above

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Presenteeism results in employees continuing to work while sick, reduced productivity and increasing the chance of infecting co-workers.





# According to the New England Journal of Medicine, flu vaccine reduces the risk of illness in healthy people by 70-90 percent. This converts to:

- A. 22 fewer lost days per 100 employees
- B. 74 fewer lost days per 100 employees
- C. 53 fewer lost days per 100 employees
- D: 82 fewer lost days per 100 employees







#### B: 74 fewer lost days per 100 employees

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A study in the Journal of Occupational & Environmental Medicine said that of those immunized at work, 84 percent said they took part because it was free, 80 percent because it was convenient, and what percent to avoid absenteeism?

**A.** 70

**B.** 50

**C.** 82

**D**: 10







C: 82

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## According to a Walgreens Survey, what percentage of workers went to work with flu symptoms?

**A.** 25

**B.** 80

**C.** 50

**D**: 30







B: 80

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**A.** 4 and 82

**B.** 11 and 73

**C.** 23 and 111

**D:** 1 and 21







#### B: 11 and 73

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## What can you do?







## What can you do?

- Host vaccination clinic
- Communicate importance
  - Newsletters
  - Emails
  - Paycheck inserts
- Peer-to-Peer influence
- Promote hand-washing
- Anti-bacterial stations







## What can you do?

## Create the culture of STAYING HOME when sick

It was brave of you to come into work with the flu and give us all the flu.





## www.WhyImmunize.org





