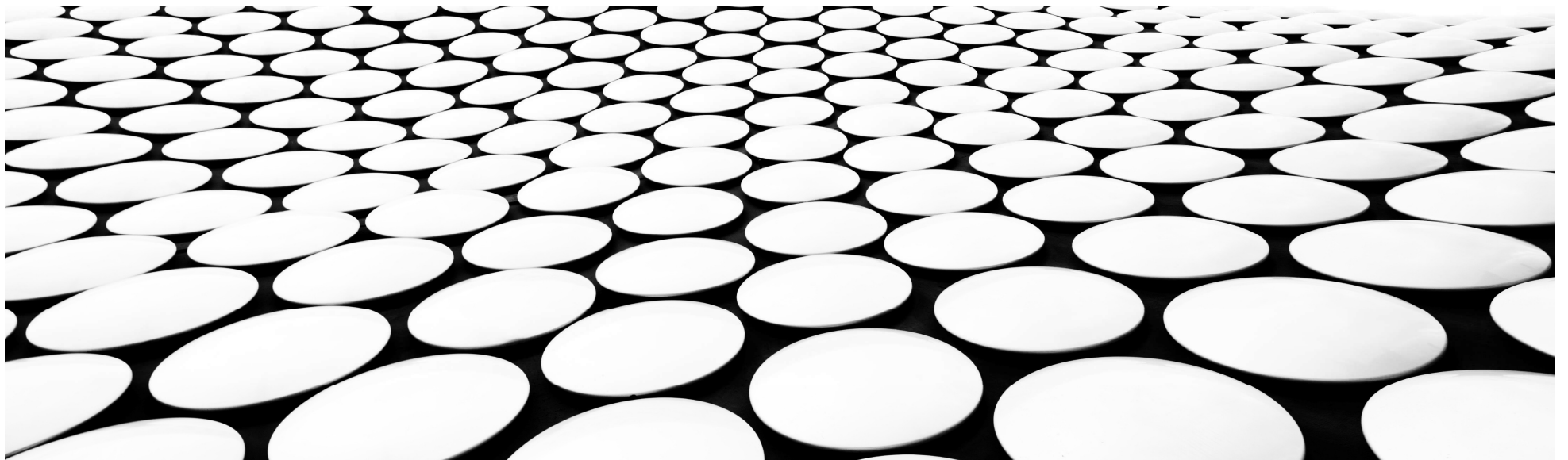


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# APIC GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS UPDATE

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## **APIC AND SHEA FORM JOINT HEALTHCARE INFECTION PREVENTION ADVISORY GROUP (HIPAG) – 12/02/2025**

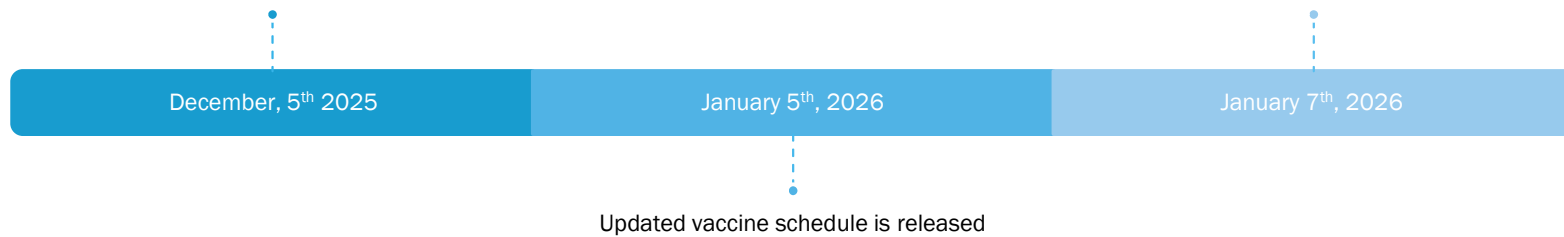
- <https://shea-online.org/apic-shea-healthcare-infection-prevention-advisory-group/>
- “The elimination of the CDC’s Healthcare Infection Control Practices Advisory Committee (HICPAC) has created gaps in coordinated, multidisciplinary alignment on infection prevention and control and antimicrobial stewardship issues, raising concerns about potential variation and inconsistencies in organizational policies and clinical practice. HIPAG was established to help fill these gaps and ensure continuity by offering timely, evidence-informed advisory expertise that supports the needs of participating organizations and the broader healthcare community.
- This initiative reflects a shared commitment to enhancing transparency, inclusivity, and scientific rigor in national infection prevention discussions.
- APIC and SHEA believe that this group, which will include invited representative experts across medical societies, healthcare organizations, public health, and patient advocacy groups, will help maintain a unified approach to infection prevention as new challenges and emerging threats continue to evolve.”

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# CHANGES TO THE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

President Trump issued a Presidential Memoranda to “Align US Core Childhood Vaccine Schedule with other Developed Countries (citing Germany, Japan and Denmark)”

Organizations such as APIC, AAP, ACOG, AMA, APA sign onto a letter to Deputy Secretary of HHS and Acting CDC Director to share perspectives on the new schedule



<https://www.nfid.org/joint-letter-on-us-childhood-immunization-schedules/>

# CHANGES TO THE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE

  No longer recommended for all children

<b>At birth</b>	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Hepatitis B 1st dose</span> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) 1st</span>
<b>1 month</b>	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Hepatitis B 2nd</span>
<b>2 months</b>	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (DTaP) 1st Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) 1st Polio 1st Pneumococcal (PCV) 1st <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Rotavirus (RV) 1st</span>
<b>4 months</b>	DTaP 2nd Hib 2nd Polio 2nd PCV 2nd <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">RV 2nd</span>
<b>6 months</b>	DTaP 3rd Polio 3rd PCV 3rd <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Hepatitis B 3rd</span>
<b>12 months</b>	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Hepatitis A 1st and 2nd</span> Hib 3rd PCV 4th Measles, Mumps, Rubella (MMR) 1st Varicella (Chickenpox) 1st
<b>15 months</b>	DTaP 4th
<b>4 years</b>	DTaP 5th Polio 4th MMR 2nd Chickenpox 2nd
<b>11 years</b>	Human Papillomavirus (HPV) 1st <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">HPV 2nd</span> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Meningococcal 1st</span> Tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis (Tdap) 1st
<b>16 years</b>	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Meningococcal 2nd</span>
<b>Annual</b>	<span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Flu*</span> <span style="border: 1px solid red; padding: 2px;">Covid-19*</span>

\*Starting at 6 months, administer two doses the first year, then one dose annually.

*“Comparisons between the US childhood immunization schedule and those of other countries, including Denmark, risk overlooking fundamental differences in population size, diversity, healthcare access, and infectious disease burden. These differences matter. US immunization policy must be guided by a transparent, evidence-based process and grounded in US epidemiology and real-world risk.”* – Joint Statement Issued by National Foundation for Infectious Diseases

<https://www.nytimes.com/2026/01/05/health/children-vaccines-cdc-kennedy.html>