October 17, 2016

2016 HEALTH SUMMIT: COMMUNICABLE DISEASES
Friday, December 9, 2016
8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.
Gateway Conference Center
Wilmington Hospital
Registration opening soon

From Shot of Prevention:
https://shotofprevention.com/2016/10/12/when-is-the-best-time-to-get-a-flu-shot/

When Is the Best Time to Get a Flu Shot? By Christine Vara

Every year, some of the same questions and concerns about season influenza and flu vaccination make the rounds on social media. So far this season, we’ve been hearing a lot of questions regarding the appropriate timing of a flu vaccination. Some people have mistakenly been advised to delay vaccination until November. Experts agree the best time to get a flu shot is now.

From the Immunization Action Coalition
http://us1.campaign-archive1.com/?u=69948816469e0f4801f8647ee&id=659bd4b048&e=f612311269

Needle Tips: Online publication for health professionals from the Immunization Action Coalition

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http://www.immunize.org/express/issue1269.asp

Ask the Experts—Question of the Week: I have an 8-month-old patient who is traveling internationally. The infant needs...read more

TOP STORIES
- New! October 2016 issue of Needle Tips is available online
- CDC reports on vaccination coverage of children 19–35 months old during 2015 inMMWR
- CDC reports on vaccination coverage of kindergarten students during 2015–16 inMMWR
Six healthcare organizations join IAC's Influenza Vaccination Honor Roll for mandatory healthcare worker vaccination

World Pneumonia Day to be held on November 12; related social media toolkit released

http://us1.campaign-archive1.com/?u=69948816469e0f4801f8647ee&id=82c20f09c2&e=f612311269

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From our friends at Every Child By Two:

https://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2016/10/161013115937.htm

"Saving lives by making pneumonia vaccine affordable" Science Daily (October 13, 2016)

- "As a child in war-ravaged Korea, Moon Nahm, M.D., decided his life's goal would be to create a company and use its profits to fund research. Instead, the Korean-born researcher grew up to build what a recent National Institutes of Health review calls 'a national treasure' -- the World Health Organization Pneumococcal Serology Reference Laboratory at the University of Alabama at Birmingham. Nahm uses the lab to help achieve a new goal -- affordable pneumonia vaccines for the world. His groundbreaking research is on the threshold of aiding researchers in producing vaccines at prices that will propel their widespread use and help protect the estimated 1.6 million children, most of them under the age of 5, who die yearly from S. pneumoniae infections. S. pneumoniae is the leading cause of pneumonia. 'We need to reduce the cost for use in developing countries -- from more than $100 a dose in the United States to less than $10 per dose,' Nahm said. 'That is a key goal for the World Health Organization and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.'"

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