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MONTHLY PAYER REPORTS AVAILABLE



The following payer reports are now avaialble on the SFTP.

Access all reports on the SFTP: | https://fts.nemours.org/

HIGHMARK COMMERCIAL

REPORTING

Claims through:
08/29/2026
Internal data: 09/22/2026

TARGETS

Using 2025 Targets

(2026 Targets will be shared when available)

AMERIHEALTH

REPORTING

Claims through:
08/31/2026
Internal data: 09/22/2026

TARGETS

Using 2025 Targets

(2026 Targets will be shared when available)

AETNA

REPORTING

Claims through:
08//31/2026
Internal data: 09/22/2026

TARGETS

2026 TARGETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE!
Aetna's 2026 targets have been set and are now reflected in the Target 1 & Target 2 columns on the Scores sheet.

NEW! IMMUNIZATION REPORT ENHANCEMENTS

The **Detail Sheet now includes three new columns (V, W, X)** to help practices identify and address immunization gaps.
For patients not compliant with an immunization measure, the new columns show:

- Total doses needed to reach compliance
- Number of vaccine types needed
- Summary of immunizations still needed

TIP: Use **DOB** + **columns V, W and X** to help identify patients approaching the **2nd- and 13th-month birthday cutoffs** for immunization measures.

Questions? Reach out to your KidWell team if you have any questions or need support.

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KidWell Resource:

Community Health Education (CHE) Team

EDUCATE | ENGAGE | EMPOWER | HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES



Happy September, and Happy Back-to-School!

Most of us are in full swing of our new school routines;
I hope everyone is taking some time for themselves to rest and reset.

Bring CHE to Your School!

A big part of what we do are school presentations, and we would love to add your school to our 2026–2027 schedule! Our presentations are about 45 minutes, evidence-based and age appropriate. Our classroom presentations include discussion questions to engage students and truly understand their knowledge on the subject.

Now Scheduling for the 2026–2027 School Year!

Some of Our Most Popular Presentations

Personal Hygiene

- Basics of good hygiene
- Hand washing
- Showering and bathing
- Oral hygiene
- Body odor
- Common hygiene mistakes

Substance Use Prevention

- Three-part series: opioids, smoking and vaping, and drugs and alcohol
- Risk and protective factors
- How substances alter the brain
- Consequences and peer pressure
- Resources for getting help

Healthy Relationships

- Healthy communication
- Everyday consent
- Boundaries
- Peer pressure
- Signs of an abusive relationship
- Toxic friendships

Healthy Living

- Three-part series (can be condensed into one):
- Nutrition basics
- Healthy meals and snacking
- Physical activity

Want to see more?

Take a look at the attached Children and Adolescent Program Offerings to see all that we provide (it is not an exhaustive list).

Request a Presentation

Click here or scan the QR code to submit a Community Health Education Request Form.

Here's to a healthy and successful school year!

Your Trusted source for practice updates & clinical resources

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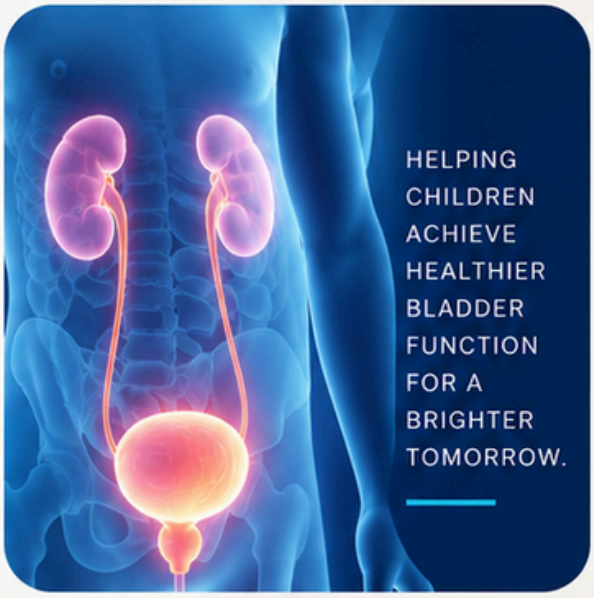
CUTTING EDGE

Keeping Practices Sharp With the Latest In Surgery

Nemours Children's BOOST Program

Specialized Support for Pediatric Bladder & Voiding Concerns

The Nemours Children's Bladder Optimization and Ongoing Support and Treatment (BOOST) Program provides individualized care and innovative techniques to help children improve control of their urinary function.



CONDITIONS TREATED

Urinary incontinence | Urinary frequency and/or urgency
Overactive bladder | Enuresis | Voiding dysfunction
Urinary tract infections | Urinary retention

PERSONALIZED CARE

We create treatment plans tailored to each child, offering options like **behavioral strategies, medications, biofeedback, neuromodulation,** and **Botox therapy**.

ADVANCED NEUROMODULATION

We offer minimally invasive **percutaneous tibial neuromodulation (PTNM)** as well as **implantable sacral neuromodulation**.

COMFORT DURING TESTING

For procedures such as voiding cystourethrogram (VCUG) or urodynamics, we provide **sedation and Child Life specialists** to keep children comfortable.

SUPPORT SERVICES

Social workers and others provide coping and support and help you connect to other services and resources you may need.

TEAM-BASED APPROACH

Our specialists team up with experts in other areas, such as **GI, pelvic floor therapy, sleep medicine,** and **psychology** for comprehensive care.

TRUSTED EXPERTISE

1,000+
children treated annually for daytime voiding issues.

500+
children treated annually for enuresis.

Questions or Referrals?

Email:
surgerydepartment@nemours.org

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Let's Check In!

Stronger Practices. Healthier Kids.

As we head into the final months of the year, the KidWell team is looking forward to connecting with our practices! **Two important touchpoints are coming up** to help you understand where your practice stands and identify opportunities to finish the year strong.

OCTOBER

VIRTUAL MID-YEAR TOUCH BASE

A quick snapshot of where you are today.

During your virtual touch base, we'll review your current payer scorecards and performance, discuss what we're seeing in the data, and highlight areas that may benefit from additional focus.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Scorecard & payer performance review
- Current gaps and opportunities
- Workflow discussion
- Areas to focus on before year-end

Watch for scheduling communication for your **October virtual touch base.**

NOVEMBER – DECEMBER

IN-PERSON YEAR-END PRACTICE VISIT

Let's close out the year together.

During **November** and December, the KidWell team will visit your practice **in person** for a more comprehensive look at your year-end performance.

Together, we'll review your scorecard, progress and opportunities, talk through what worked well this year, and discuss areas of focus as we look ahead.

WHAT TO EXPECT

- In-person visit with the KidWell team
- Year-end scorecard review
- Progress & performance discussion
- Opportunities and next steps

Watch for scheduling communication for your **November–December in-person visit.**

KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR INBOX!

You'll receive separate communications to coordinate both:

OCTOBER
Virtual Mid-Year Touch Base

NOVEMBER – DECEMBER
In-Person Year-End Practice Visit

We look forward to connecting with you!

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FLU CORNER

YOUR MONTHLY FLU CHECK-IN

Healthy Kids. Stronger Communities.



WHAT'S HAPPENING
New flu reporting coming soon

WHAT TO SHARE
Key details for your team

WHAT TO DO
Look for the report mid-October

WHAT'S NEW THIS MONTH



COMING MID-OCTOBER

Revamped Influenza Vaccination Report

We will be sending out a new and improved influenza vaccination report to help you target patients **6 months old – 18 years old** who are due for a flu vaccine!

Comprehensive Data Sources
The report pulls flu vaccination data from claims, state immunization registries, and DHIN.

KidWell Community Practices Only
The report includes KidWell community practices only.

Patient Population
Patients on this list are 6 months through 18 years of age.

KEY DETAILS TO KNOW

First-Time Flu Vaccine Patients
Patients receiving a flu vaccine for the first time require two doses during the season.

Once the first dose is received, the patient will no longer appear on this report, even though a second dose may still be needed.

Data Considerations
Some discrepancies or data lag may occur; however, this report represents the most comprehensive flu vaccination data currently available.

Report Notification
Look for a monthly email stating that the report was uploaded to your SFTP.

Reports will be available on the SFTP:
https://fts.nemours.org/

SAY IT THIS WAY

FRONT DESK | MA | PROVIDER

THIS MONTH'S FLU CONVERSATION STARTER

"The flu vaccine is the best way to protect your child and the people around them. We recommend it for everyone 6 months and older. Do you have any questions about the flu vaccine today?"

QUESTIONS?

We're here to help!

Please contact Nicole Schwegler with questions about the flu vaccination report or the data.

nicole.schwegler@nemours.org

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UPCOMING MEETINGS AT A GLANCE

Lunchtime Lecture Series (LLS)

Clinical education featuring Nemours specialists and evidence-based updates for community providers.

Q-Connect

A collaborative forum to share best practices, network with peers, and discuss quality improvement initiatives.

DATE & TIME	MEETING	TOPIC	SPEAKER
Tuesday, Sept. 22, 2026 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM	Lunchtime Lecture Series (LLS)	Urology	Beth Euston, APN
Wednesday, Oct. 14, 2026 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Q- Connect	Reducing Avoidable ED Utilization	KidWell Team
Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2026 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Q- Connect	DE Library system/PA First Up	KidWell Team

***Continuing education credit will be offered for the September 2 Q-Connect (up to 1.0 credit/contact hour).**

Meeting topics and speakers are subject to change.

Join the Conversation

Stay connected and engaged with the KidWell Community

Interested in attending? Contact the KidWell team to request a calendar invitation

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RSV SEASON BEGINS OCTOBER 1

IDENTIFY | PROTECT | IMMUNIZE



As we enter RSV season, we encourage practices to begin **identifying and immunizing eligible infants and young children** against severe RSV disease.

1 TWO WAYS TO PROTECT INFANTS

To prevent severe RSV disease in infants, either:

MATERNAL RSV VACCINATION
during pregnancy
(Pfizer Abrysvo®)

OR

INFANT RSV ANTIBODY
(nirsevimab/Beyfortus® or clesrovimab/Enflonsia®)

Most infants do not need both.

2 WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR RSV IMMUNOPROPHYLAXIS?

Infants younger than 8 months

entering their first RSV season when:

- Mother did not receive RSV vaccine during pregnancy, or
- Maternal vaccination status is unknown, or
- Infant was born within 14 days of maternal RSV vaccination.

Children 8 through 19 months

who are at increased risk for severe disease, which may include:

- Chronic lung disease of prematurity requiring recent medical support
- Severe immunocompromise
- Certain children with cystic fibrosis
- American Indian or Alaska Native children

3 TIMING MATTERS

OCTOBER THROUGH MARCH

CDC recommends administration of infant RSV antibody during **October through March** in most of the United States.

Ideally, eligible infants should receive protection **shortly before the season starts or during the birth hospitalization** if born during RSV season.

4 IMPORTANT REMINDERS

- Review eligibility criteria and ensure adequate product supply.
- Identify eligible infants during newborn, well-child, and follow-up visits.
- Proactively identify patients who are at high risk for severe disease and conduct outreach before RSV activity increases.
- Document immunizations promptly to support accurate reporting and care coordination.

PROVIDER RESOURCE

Need help determining who should receive RSV immunization?
Use the CDC's clinical guidance and resources for eligibility, timing and administration.

CDC RSV Immunization Guidance for Infants & Young Children ›

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Additional Resources

Week In Review – September 28, 2026

Key updates, resources and opportunities to support your practice.

MEASLES UPDATE

NATIONWIDE (CDC, 9/24/26)

3,659 Confirmed Cases | **47** Jurisdictions

Cases by Age	
Under 5	656 (18%)
5–19 years	1,577 (43%)
20+ years	1,407 (38%)
Unknown	19 (1%)

- 40 new outbreaks reported in 2026
- 3,642 of confirmed cases are outbreak-associated
- 17 cases among international visitors
- Vaccination status:
  - Unvaccinated/Unknown: **95%**
  - One MMR dose: **2%**
  - Two MMR doses: **3%**
- **Deaths: 4*** (CDC note: subject to change)

Delaware Measles Outbreak

23 Confirmed Cases (Kent County)

Adults 20+: 13
Adolescents 10–19: 2
Children 0–9: 8

RESPIRATORY VACCINES

NEW EVIDENCE & RECOMMENDATIONS

Vaccine Integrity Project (VIP) and the American Medical Association (AMA) published the results of their independent evidentiary review of respiratory vaccines in JAMA.

Influenza | **COVID-19** | **RSV**

View Key Findings & Recommendations >

GLOBAL & TRAVEL UPDATES

FROM THE WHO & CDC

- **Ebola (DRC):** Further expansion of the outbreak; 7,890 cases, 3,799 deaths (CFR 48.1%).
- **WHO:** 2027 southern hemisphere influenza vaccine composition recommendations.
- **CDC Travel Notices:** Updates for Ebola (DRC), polio, yellow fever, chikungunya, zika and more.

Travel Notice Levels

- **Level 4** – Avoid All Travel
- **Level 3** – Reconsider Nonessential Travel
- **Level 2** – Practice Enhanced Precautions
- **Level 1** – Practice Usual Precautions

View CDC Travel Notices >

FROM THE CDC

RECENT UPDATES

- **ACIP Meeting:** Next meeting October 21–23
- **FluView:** Pediatric deaths reported, total 195 (week 37)
- **HAN:** 9/10/26 – Increase in human rabies exposures
- **MMWR** (Vol. 75, No. 37): Hepatitis A outbreak (Cuba–FL); first 100 days of five Ebola outbreaks
- **Outbreak List:** *Salmonella* – broccoli sprouts (Sept)
- **Pertussis:** YTD 8,933 cases (DE: 0)
- **EID:** September 2026 – Fungal Infections

View Full CDC Updates >

IN THE NEWS

RECENT HIGHLIGHTS

- CDC approves COVID vaccines for vulnerable children
- CDC vaccine policy recommendations grind to a halt (AP)
- FDA nominee says vaccines are safe; fails to explicitly say Trump was wrong about MMR vaccine safety (AP)
- Three Florida counties declare states of emergency to battle dengue fever (1 death)
- Two studies show strong RSV vaccine protection in older adults

HELPFUL RESOURCES

TOOLS & INFORMATION

- CDC Measles Data
- Johns Hopkins Measles Tracker
- ICD Measles Update Page
- Delaware Outbreak Information
- Center for Unbiased Science & Health
- Common Health Coalition
- Moderna Atlas: Educational Resources
- VaxImpactMap

For complete details, resources and additional updates, visit the **Immunization Coalition of Delaware**

www.immunizedelaware.org >

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HELP SHAPE THE KIDWELL COMMUNITY!

Your Ideas. Your Colleagues. Our Community.

NOMINATE A STELLAR COLLEAGUE

Know someone who consistenly goes above and beyond for patients, families, or their practice?

Help us celebrate their dedication by nominating them for our **Kudos Corner!**

NOMINATE TODAY

HELP SHAPE THE NEWSLETTER

We're alwasys looking for ideas and feedback to make our newsletter even more valuable to you.

We Welcome:

- **Best practices**
- **Success stories**
- **Community events**
- **Patient education tools**
- **Topics you want to learn more about**
- **Questions you'd like answered**
- **Resources to share**

SHARE YOUR IDEAS

YOUR KIDWELL TEAM IS HERE TO HELP

Wheather you have questions about reportts, quality scorecoards, educational progaramming, upcoming meetings, or any other resources- your KidWell team is here for you!

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We want to hear from you!

Send an email to Asya Richardson to submit your nonimation, ideas or newsletter topics.

Thank you FOR BEING PART OF THE KIDWELL NETWORK!

Together, we're improving the health of children, supporting practices, and strengthening our communities.

Have questions or need assistance?
Reach out to your KidWell team - we're here to help!