



# City of San Antonio

## Legislation Details (With Text)

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<b>On agenda:</b>	8/28/2020
<b>Title:</b>	A briefing and presentation on Metro Health's immunization plan to include childhood vaccinations, flu vaccinations, and the preparation for COVID-19 vaccinations. [Colleen Bridger, MPH, PhD, Assistant City Manager, Interim Director, Health; Anita Kurian, MPH, DrPH, Assistant Director, Health]
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**DEPARTMENT:** Health

**DEPARTMENT HEAD:** Colleen Bridger, MPH, PhD, Assistant City Manager, Interim Director

**COUNCIL DISTRICTS IMPACTED:** Citywide

**SUBJECT:** A briefing on Metro Health's Immunization Plan.

### SUMMARY:

Metro Health will provide a briefing on their immunization plan to include childhood vaccinations, flu vaccinations, and the preparation for COVID-19 vaccinations.

### BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Concerns have been raised about the decline in childhood vaccination rates since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Additionally, this year, flu vaccination is more important than ever considering that the San Antonio community is still being affected by ongoing community transmission of COVID-19. Although the Immunization program staff was assigned to the COVID-19 response between March and August 2020, they were recently demobilized from the COVID-19 response to focus on increasing vaccination rates in San Antonio/Bexar County and plan for the upcoming flu season. The Immunization Program recently re-opened its Eastside Clinic (by appointment) and has opened an outreach vaccination clinic at Frank Garret Center (by appointment) and are developing vaccination plans for the 2020-2021 school year and the 2020-2021 flu season.

### ISSUE:

Metro Health would like the opportunity to brief the Community Health and Equity Committee about the steps it is currently taking to address concerns about the decline in immunization coverage.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

This item is for briefing purposes only.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

There is no fiscal impact at this time.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

This item is for briefing purposes only.