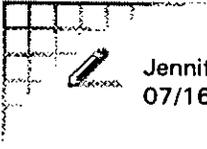


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**Health - Immunization**

Health-immunization  
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Jennifer L. Klein  
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To: Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP

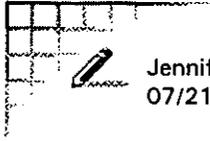
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Subject: Misc.

Chris and I were talking about the child care regulation, and we started to wonder whether it really makes sense to announce it at the immunization event. While it matters that the federal government will require proper immunization in child care centers it funds, the truth is that, according to CDC, the regulation won't cause many new children to be immunized (given the requirements that states already have in place). I worry a bit that the people talking to the press about the immunization rates (e.g., state health officers) will poo poo our initiative. I have our friend Bill Corr looking into this more carefully, so I'm not convinced yet, but when he gets back to Chris, you two may want to talk about it. Sorry for rambling, but I think you get the idea.

On contraception, Melanne asked me to hold off until next week so she and I can have a longer conversation about it. (I mentioned it on a call to her in Portugal.) So far we've learned that Medicaid covers contraception (90% paid for by the Federal government) and the Federal Employees Health Program's main plan (Blue Cross/Blue Shield) covers it on the same basis as other prescription drugs. I'm still stuck on the problem that we shouldn't get into the business of mandating coverage one body part at a time, but I do agree that it is a bit different since this bill would only put it on the same footing as other prescription drugs. I also learned at one of our Thursday morning "women's" meetings that requiring insurance companies to cover this polls very well. Anyway, more next week.

Health-immunization



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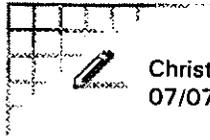
Subject: Immunization

There are other data in the MMWR that show that disease incidence for some diseases is actually up. My thought is to have the President allude to that in his remarks, i.e. we still have a long way to go, still have disease, but not explain in detail. The disease is mostly among adults, especially those who enter the country as adults.

Do you both agree with this approach?

Also, Elena, we are not announcing child care conference, right?

Health-immunization



Christa Robinson  
07/07/97 11:28:54 AM

Record Type: Record

To: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP, Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP  
cc: Jennifer L. Klein/OPD/EOP  
Subject: immunization

As you know from Jen, HRC wants to be involved in the immunization event and she is not available until the week of the 21st. Shalala is unavailable the 21 and 22nd, so right now we recommend trying to change the event to the 23rd. I'm happy to work through this with scheduling and communications, but wanted to check with you first to see if you want to offer an alternative event for the 14th.

Based on a conference call with Jen, Chris Jennings, and Melissa Skolfield, the participants of the event would be:

- POTUS
- HRC
- Real person (mother, or pediatrician)
- Jimmy Carter

Also on stage could be:

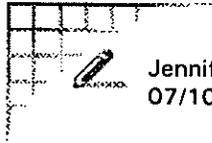
- Rosalyn Carter
- Sen. and Mrs. Bumpers
- Sec. Shalala

We will figure out a way for POTUS to have a photo-op with some 2 year old children and their parents -- perhaps a photo-op somewhere else in the Residence before the event or bringing them in at the end of the event.

Right now the event is scheduled for the East Room. The audience would include bipartisan Members of Congress, Governors, relevant Administration folks and key organizations/Associations.

Paper: 1) Fact sheet of the announcements and President's record on immunizations; 2) background document on different types of immunizations and the history of the child immunization initiative; 3) Q&A.

Health-immunization



Jennifer L. Klein  
07/10/97 02:22:23 PM

Record Type: Record

To: Christa Robinson/OPD/EOP

cc: Bruce N. Reed/OPD/EOP, Elena Kagan/OPD/EOP, Cynthia A. Rice/OPD/EOP, Paul J. Weinstein Jr./OPD/EOP

Subject: Re: COS Scheduling Mtg.

I think the immunization event and the genetic screening event are getting confused. The immunization event speakers would be POTUS, FLOTUS, President Carter, and a pediatrician. We plan to announce: (1) the new immunization rates; (2) the child care regulation; and (3) (possibly) a collaboration between CDC, NGA and Hallmark Cards to send info about immunization to all new parents.

**SCHEDULE REQUEST PROPOSAL**  
6/19/97

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TO:                      Stephanie Streett  
Deputy Assistant to the President and  
Director of Scheduling

FROM:                      Melanne Verveer  
Bruce Reed

REQUEST:                      To announce new immunization data indicating that we are meeting the goals of the President's Childhood Immunization Initiative to immunize all children by the age of two. We also hope to announce new regulations requiring child care centers that receive federal funding to ensure that all children in their care are properly immunized.

PURPOSE:                      Immunization rates are at an historic high. We are meeting our goal to immunize ninety percent of all children by the age of two with the most important vaccines. Data will be published in the *Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)* in July reflecting, for the first time, rates for children immunized during this Administration.

This event will allow us to:

(1) Highlight findings that the estimated immunization rates for the full 1995 calendar year met the Administration's goals for 1996 and to launch our campaign to reach our immunization goals for 2000. (The President indicated his interest in doing this event as soon as we could announce data on children immunized since he took office.);

(2) Emphasize our commitment to children's health care, which is particularly important as we have been criticized for opposing attaching the Hatch-Kennedy legislation to the Budget Agreement; and

(3) Follow up on the White House Conference on Early Learning and Development by focusing on the importance of the earliest years of life.

**BACKGROUND:** The President launched the Childhood Immunization Initiative in 1993 which provided free vaccines to our nation's neediest children, helped create information systems to see that all children are properly immunized, helped providers improve their immunization procedures, and worked with parents and health professionals to educate them on the importance of immunizations. These unprecedented high rates of immunization, for the first time, validate our long-time held assertion that the approach the Administration is taking to increase the number of children who are immunized is successful.

**PREVIOUS PARTICIPATION:** None

**DATE AND TIME:** July

**DURATION:** 15-20 minutes

**LOCATION:** Flexible

**OUTLINE OF EVENTS:** President and First Lady surrounded by children who have been vaccinated through the Clinton Administration Childhood Immunization Initiative and by a number of children's advocacy groups.

**REMARKS REQUIRED:** Prepared by speech writing.

**FIRST LADY'S ATTENDANCE:** Yes

**VICE PRESIDENT'S ATTENDANCE:** Not required

**SECOND LADY'S ATTENDANCE:** Not required

**RECOMMENDED BY:** Melanne Verveer, Bruce Reed, Chris Jennings, Nancy-Ann Min

**CONTACT:** Jennifer Klein, 456-2599

**ORIGIN OF PROPOSAL:** Both the President and First Lady have expressed interest in doing an event/announcement to highlight our successes in immunizing children.

## Health - immunization

- ▶ The *Washington Post* has requested an advance copy of the C & O Canal National Historical Park Flood Recovery Assessment for a possible story on May 24 or 25. The Assessment, produced by the park and the engineering firm Dewberry and Davis, details park damage sustained along the 184-mile towpath during the floods of 1996. Repair estimates total \$55 million, double the amount generated through private donations and supplemental appropriations from Congress.
- ▶ *CBS Morning News* is visiting Pompeys Pillar, a National Historic Landmark of the Lewis and Clark expedition, to collect footage for an upcoming story.
- ▶ *USA Today* will soon run a story to follow up on the anniversary of the 1872 Mining Law.

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

- **Conservation Programs:** On May 22, Secretary Glickman announced enrollment of 16.1 million acres of environmentally sensitive agricultural cropland into the Conservation Reserve Program (CRP). This will bring total CRP enrollment to 27.6 million acres as of October 1, 1997.
- **Tongass:** On May 23, AK Regional Forester Phil Janik is expected to sign the Record of Decision for the Tongass Land Management Plan, which will guide all natural resource activities associated with the Tongass National Forest in AK for the next 10-15 years under the National Forest Management Act. This decision has been the subject of intense congressional, media and public attention.
- **Immunization Successes:** In one year's time, the USDA Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program's immunization promotion efforts in three major cities resulted in an increase of almost 10 percent in immunization coverage rates for two-year-old children.
- **Native Americans Assistance:** On May 22, USDA hosted the American Indian/Alaska Native Corporation Procurement Opportunities Conference and Exhibition in Washington, D.C.
- **Welfare Reform:** USDA is currently reviewing a request from a Native American reservation in WY to exempt individuals from the provisions in the welfare reform bill, which limits food stamp program participation to three months in any 36-month period for able-bodied adults without dependents between the ages 18-50 unless the affected individuals are employed for an average of 20 hours per week or are participating in a work program.

Jen -

What is this? Is it the same as or related to the good immunization stats Cabinet Weekly Report, May 16-23, page 14 you told me about?

Elena