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The IHS National E3 Vaccine Strategy is designed to ensure that EVERY patient at EVERY encounter is offered EVERY recommended vaccine, when appropriate.

E3 Champions Pilot Program

The IHS National Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (NPTC) **is actively seeking E3 Vaccine Strategy Pilot Teams** in tribal communities served by federal direct care, tribal, and Urban Indian Organization programs as part of the IHS National E3 Vaccine Strategy Champions Challenge.

Participation

Participation as an IHS E3 Vaccine Strategy Pilot Team is recommended for clinical and public health teams operating at I/T/U facilities and in tribal communities, both within and outside the four walls of a healthcare facility. Immunization innovation is encouraged at the community, facility, and even unit level. This is a “shots in arms” campaign and literally no effort is too small.

Teams interested in participating in the E3 Champions Pilot Program are asked to submit a brief E3 Pilot Program Application consisting of the following to ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov;

- 1) Name and location of your team.
- 2) Tribal community/communities served.
- 3) Brief narrative (200 words or less) describing your vaccine-related project and objectives.

Upon receipt of a completed application from an eligible I/T/U site, each team will receive a letter of designation as an IHS E3 Vaccine Strategy Pilot Team.

Support

Inquiries from Indian Health Service I/T/U programs pertaining to E3 eligibility, participation in the E3 Pilot Program, criteria for recognition as an IHS E3 Champion, or other logistics may be directed to ihsmedsafety@ihs.gov.

E3 Champions Challenge

The Indian Health Service **E3 Champions Challenge** is a friendly competition that seeks to;

- 1) Encourage Innovation,
- 2) Incentivize Effort, and
- 3) Recognize Success in advancing the goals of the IHS National E3 Vaccine Strategy.

Eligibility includes all Indian Health Service federal direct-care, tribal, and Urban Indian Organization (I/T/U) programs at the community, facility, and/or unit (e.g. ambulatory clinic, inpatient ward, ER, PHN/MCH panel) level. Further information about **criteria for recognition as an IHS E3 Vaccine Champion** can be found [on the NPTC website](#).