

Review of: "[Viewpoint] World Immunization Week: Immunization of Healthcare Workers – A reminder"

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This is an excellent viewpoint summarizing the ACIP recommendations for HCWs and immunization programs. I am a little skeptical about the tetanus and diphtheria, particularly in high income countries; indeed, tetanus is not a communicable disease and diphtheria is rare. However, category 2 is the one that should be targeted in priority due to the transmission rate of these diseases and due to the low level of immunisation observed in HCWs. This is particularly relevant for influenza: for instance, the rate of immunization against influenza in HCWs is clearly below 20% and efforts should be made to improve this worrying situation.