

# Colorado Children's Immunization Coalition *2018 State Legislative Preview*

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# 2018 Election Preview

## State Legislative Control

Senate 18-16-1

House 37-28



Senate  
President  
Kevin  
Grantham  
(R-Canon  
City)

Senate  
Minority  
Leader Lucia  
Guzman (D-  
Denver)

House  
Speaker  
Crisanta  
Duran (D-  
Denver)

House  
Minority  
Leader  
Patrick  
Neville (R-  
Franktown)

*All but Rep. Patrick Neville are term limited in 2018*

# 2018 Election Preview

## Resignations, New Members & Party Affiliations



Dylan Roberts (D-Eagle  
replaces Dianne Mitsch  
Bush (D-Steamboat  
Springs)



Judy Reyher (R-Swink)  
replaces Clarice Navarro  
(R-Pueblo)



Shane Sandbridge  
(R-Colorado  
Springs replaces  
Dan Nordberg (R-  
Colorado Springs)



Cheri Jahn (U-  
Wheat Ridge)  
changed her party  
affiliation from  
Democrat to  
Unaffiliated in her  
final year

# 2018 Election Preview

State Offices – 86 Offices up for Election

- Governor/Lt. Governor
  - 30 candidates
- Attorney General
  - 6 candidates
- Secretary of State
  - 4 candidates
- Treasurer
  - 10 candidates
- 17 Senate Districts (2-3 swing seats)
- 65 House Districts

Ten sitting legislators running for another office

- 1 Attorney General
- 5 State Treasurer
- 4 State Senate



# 2018 Election Preview

## Gubernatorial Race

Republican front runners



Democrat front runners



# Colorado Legislative Preview

## Hot Topics for 2018



# Colorado Budget Preview: FY 18-19

Colorado's budget situation is positive

- FY 17-18 (current year) \$104M additional\*
- FY 18-19 \$280M additional\*
- Potential for \$340M additional revenue due to Tax Cuts and Jobs Act\*

Additional requests for  
**Transportation, K-12 education and**  
**Human Services** programs from  
Governor Hickenlooper's office



*\*Data from December 20, 2017 Office of State Planning and Budgeting Economic Forecast*

# CCIC's Role in the Legislative Process



- Inform and advance legislative or regulatory policies to promote improved access, delivery and demand for childhood immunizations
- Provide educational opportunities to key decision makers including legislators, administrative leaders and other elected officials
- Conduct outreach and stakeholder engagement as an independent organization
- Engage parents and others to advocate for model immunization policy

# 2018 Legislative & Regulatory Agenda

## **Policy Issue: Funding for Technology and Infrastructure**

*Position: CCIC supports continued funding for the state's immunization registry. CCIC also supports Governor's budget request R-7 within the Department of Public Health and Environment, which requests \$387K (general fund) for increased availability and utility of health information exchanges.*



## **Policy Issue: Stable Workforce and Population**

*Position: CCIC supports Department of Human Services rules for School Aged Child Care to require completion of immunization source for all child care health consultants.*

# 2018 Legislative & Regulatory Agenda

## **Policy Issue: Meaningful Exemption Process**

*Position: CCIC supports the Board of Health rules promulgated in 2015 and 2017 based on evidence-based, medically accurate and scientifically-supported policy recommendations. CCIC opposes any deviations from the current processes for medical and non-medical exemptions, or any policies which intend to weaken the exemption process.*

## **Policy Issue: Increase Vaccine Access and Sustainable Financing**

*Position: CCIC supports state and federal efforts to ensure access to vaccines through all current and future health care and payment reform strategies.*

# 2018 Rumored Legislation



## *Red Flag Warning*

### **Colorado Vaccine Consumer Protection Act**

- Draft bill from Colorado Coalition for Vaccine Choice
- Establishes the Vaccine Consumer Protection Program within CDPHE with the following charge
  - Require providers to give parents and consumers additional information on benefits/risks of vaccination, contraindications and titer testing
  - Develop online training module for VAERS reporting
  - Require provider recordkeeping (vaccine product data) and patient counseling (VAERS and Vaccine Injury Compensation Program)
  - Provide annual report on adverse vaccine reactions
  - Inform consumers about ability to opt-out of CIIS and the exemption process

# Opportunities for Engagement

Engage with your elected officials

- Know your state and federal representatives
- Attend town hall meetings
- Visit the State Capitol during session

Participate in CCIC Coalition meetings and events

Join Colorado Parents for Vaccinated Communities ([www.coparents4vax.org](http://www.coparents4vax.org))



# Q & A

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