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Announcements and Reminders

Save-the-Date

The NBDPN 2018 Annual Meeting is scheduled for March 11-14, 2018 in Atlanta, GA. Information of how to register will be coming soon!

Updates to the ICD-10-CM and birth defects crosswalk

The code translations (ICD-9-CM/ICD-10-CM) have been updated to incorporate changes made to Chapter 17 of the ICD-10-CM code, effective as of October 1, 2017. All changes are highlighted in the respective files. For additional information, go to <https://www.nbdpn.org/icd10.php>

January is National Birth Defects Prevention Month

The theme for this year's National Birth Defects Prevention Month is Prevent to Protect! The 2018 Packet and additional resources are now available on our website:

<https://www.nbdpn.org/bdpm.php>

Elections for 2018 Officers

Voting for NBDPN's elected officers will begin in later November. Don't forget to submit your vote and, in the meantime, view the list of our current officers [here](#).

Annual Report

The 2017 Annual Report is coming out in the November issue of BDR. Look for the data brief on gastrointestinal birth defects. Thank you to all the surveillance systems that were able to contribute data.

Partner Corner

CDC | Public Health Grand Rounds

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's October 17th Grand Rounds focused on neural tube defects. In case you missed it the archived video is available here:

<https://www.cdc.gov/cdcgrandrounds/archives/2017/october2017.html>

Mother to Baby

The Organization of Teratology Information Specialists reminds all pregnant women and women planning pregnancy to get the flu shot to protect themselves and their babies. Help spread the word during flu season. Find fact sheets on exposures in pregnancy including seasonal influenza [here](#).

Zika Communication and Care

CDC's Zika Pregnancy team is alerting public health partners to the needs of individuals and families who may be relocating due to the recent hurricanes and be affected by Zika virus. Updated information and guidance can be found at www.cdc.gov/zika. Use [ZikaCareConnect](#), a web-based tool developed by the CDC and the March of Dimes, to find specialists and other health care professionals knowledgeable about Zika related recommendations.

March of Dimes

Syphilis infection in pregnancy can cause problems including stillbirth, prematurity, and neonatal death. In response to the rising rates of syphilis infection, the March of Dimes has developed new educational materials for pregnant women in [English](#) and [Spanish](#). Find the infographic [here](#).

Facebook and Feedback**NBDPN Facebook Site**

The NBDPN Facebook site is <https://www.facebook.com/nbdpn>. Be sure to "like" us on Facebook to get the latest NBDPN updates.

**Twitter**

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Feedback on NBDPN News

Tell us how we're doing by taking this [brief survey!](#) If you have any suggestions or comments about the NBDPN News, especially suggestions for future topic ideas, please e-mail nbdpn@nbdpn.org.

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