

Mildred Stabler with new mother and twins 1997

- Volunteers operating the immunization reminder system are committed seniors, many with motivating personal experiences related to childhood diseases.
- Combining both proactive and reactive approaches, the SCI model educates mothers before they leave the hospital; reminds families of immunizations due; reminds families then if the child is behind schedule for receiving needed immunizations; reminds parents if the child is off schedule.
- The SVCI reminder system operates continuously throughout the child's first year of life to remind parents about the importance of timely immunization.
- The SVCI model is community-wide rather than being tied to anyone hospital as it operates through a community-wide volunteer organization (e.g.-RSVP).

The SVCI model allows for corrections to its reminder database to:

- Help stay in touch with the child's family
- Dis-enroll any parent at any time at their request
- Protect and delete all information and reminder system files after a child has reached three years of age.

Evaluation is built into the model because it:

Links hospitals with "Immunization Homes"