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Christine M. Layton, PhD, MPH, is Public Health Policy Analyst with RTI International, a not-for-profit research firm based in North Carolina that provides innovative research and technical solutions to governments and businesses worldwide in numerous areas including health and pharmaceuticals, surveys and statistics and the environment. Dr. Layton has more than 15 years of professional experience, primarily in the qualitative analysis and evaluation of public health programs and policies, including those related to immunization.

Since 1999, Dr. Layton has worked on nine different projects related to immunization and influenza. Recently, she completed a project for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Assistant Secretary for Planning and Evaluation, which examined the dynamics of influenza vaccine supply and demand. This project involved collecting information from a variety of stakeholders including vaccine manufacturers, distributors, community immunizers, federal and state health officials and other experts. The results were reported in five issue briefs addressing the topics of influenza vaccine economics, demand, manufacture, purchase and distribution.

Dr. Layton's research has included developing and leading key informant interviews and focus groups with a variety of participants, including health care providers and government officials. Dr. Layton also is experienced in developing and conducting case studies. Her work has focused on broad issues related to women's, children's and family health. She has developed and led projects examining a range of topics, including those related to adverse perinatal outcomes, immunization, health care financing and public health infrastructure. She is especially interested in the evaluation and implementation of public health programs at the community level.

Dr. Layton received her PhD in public health from The Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health in Baltimore, Maryland, an MPH from Yale University in New Haven, Connecticut and a BA from Hampshire College in Amherst, Massachusetts.

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