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Dr. Gruber: ...Vaccines have been the single most important medical intervention for public health.

Dr. Malik: Maternal vaccines are so important because they provide protection to mothers and mothers transfer that protection to their babies... it's a biological gift.

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KARI: Welcome to season three of The Antigen.

I'm your host, Kari Yacisin. I'm an infectious disease physician and the U.S. Medical Pipeline Vaccines Lead at Pfizer.

In past seasons, we went behind the science of vaccines and explored the impact they have around the world. This season, we're focusing on maternal immunization.

We're going to be hearing from some of the leading voices in this space to dive deeper into how maternal vaccinations work...

Dr. Gruber: Trying to treat babies for this disease is not the answer we need to protect and prevent the disease from happening in the first place.

Dr. Kampmann: By having the antibody of the mom, these obnoxious things can't do any harm to the baby.

KARI: And how we can ensure everyone who wants and needs a vaccine has access.

Dr. Malik: All vaccines are 0% effective if they remain in a vial and don't get in people's arms.

Dr. Kampmann: There is an element of trust that has to be built in the system and we can all help to increase that trust and antagonize rumors around vaccination in general.

KARI: We'll even get a glimpse of what’s on the horizon for maternal immunization.

Dr. Malik: In the field of maternal immunization, looking at how this is so helpful, it's mind blowing. Science is doing wonderful. It needs to get incorporated into our day to day lived experience.
KARI: Join us for season three of The Antigen to explore maternal immunization: the history, challenges, innovations, and exciting developments to come.

Tune in November 15th for this three-part series.

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