

Dear Providers,

This newsletter is meant to keep you up to date on issues related to vaccines quickly and easily. We welcome your comments and questions; please email us at immunization.program@ventura.org

Mandatory Influenza Vaccination or Masking of Health Care Workers during Influenza Season: On August 3, 2016 Ventura County Health Officer, Dr. Robert Levin issued a mandatory Influenza Vaccination or Masking of Health Care Workers During Influenza Season. You can also view this information on (<http://vchca.org/public-health/for-health-care-providers>)

Flu Season is here! CDC is Urging Everyone to Get Vaccinated against Flu. Everyone 6 months and older is recommended for annual flu vaccination with rare exception. [This page lists all people recommended](#) to get the flu vaccine, who can and can't get the flu shot or the nasal spray vaccine and who should take precautions or talk to their doctor or other health care professional before vaccination. Talk to your doctor or nurse if you have any questions regarding which flu vaccine options are best for you and your family

Message from Monica Hernandez – State Local CAIR Representative
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CAIR Updates: CAIR2 Access_Review the below information is to assure users have CAIR2 access.

- **Active Regular/Power/DX Power Users:**
Register for CAIR2 existing training at http://enroll.cairweb.org/register_login.php .
(An 'active' user is defined as a previous CAIR1 user who had an 'active' status on **07/27/2016**.)
- **Read-Only Users:**
Login information was distributed via email to existing read-only users. To access CAIR2 training videos and user guides visit <http://cairweb.org/cair2-training-resources/>.
- **New Users:**
Site supervisors may add new users through the Account Update at <http://accountupdate.cairweb.org/>, please allow **7-10 business days** to process. CAIR Users requesting Regular user access must attend a Regular training, whereas CAIR Users requesting Power or DX Power must attend both, Regular and Inventory trainings. New CAIR2 users may sign up for an online training at <http://cairweb.org/live-webinars>. A training completion email will be sent to attendees **48-72 hours** after the trainer verifies the attendance.
- **CAIR2 Enrollment Applications:**
At this time there is no scheduled date when we will begin accepting enrollment applications, please use the links below to access the enrollment site. The **CA Board of Pharmacy** sent communication out informing pharmacies that they may defer their CAIR2 enrollment until the enrollment site becomes available in their region.
CAIR2 Enrollment Site (Manual Access): <http://enroll.cairweb.org/>
CAIR2 Enrollment Site (Data Exchange Access): <https://igs.cdph.ca.gov/cair/>

For assistance with the California Immunization Registry visit www.CAIRWeb.org or contact the following:
CAIR Help Desk at 1-800-578-7889 or CAIRHelpDesk@cdph.ca.gov
Data Exchange Specialist at CAIRDataExchange@cdph.ca.gov

To VFC Providers:

2017 VFC Recertification is COMING SOON! The California Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program will open 2017 Recertification in mid-December 2016.

Information will be posted on EZIZ.org and will be emailed to you. Annual Recertification is a federal requirement to remain enrolled in the VFC Program. Please check your email for communications regarding 2017 VFC Recertification.

In the meantime, you may now begin taking most of the required lessons to receive credit for 2017 Recertification; the VFC Program Requirements lesson will be available soon.

2016 VFC EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT

To access the online 2017 VFC Recertification page, key practice staff must first complete the federal educational requirement lessons available on our website www.eziz.org. You may begin taking most of the required lessons and receive credit for completion starting December 1, 2016. If you completed the lessons before December 2016, you will not receive credit for 2017 Recertification.

Looking ahead: Vaccine Supply Items:

Products to be added to VFC's Ordering Menu:

- Early 2017
 - Td-Td Vaccine, Grifols, 10 pack-1 doses vials
 - Hib- Hiberix®, GSK, 10 pack-1 dose vials
- Mid 2017
 - Pentacel®
 - Quadracel®, Sanofi DTaP-IPV combination vaccine
- Fall 2017
 - FluLaval, GSK, 10 pack-1 dose syringes, 0.5 mL

Products unavailable in VFC's Ordering Menu:

- Meningococcal: MenHibrix®, GSK Hib-Men CY
 - Will discontinue supply by end of 2016
- Td: Sanofi's Td, Tenivac
 - Temporary (semi-long term) unavailability
- Men B: Bexsero
 - Temporarily unavailable

The VFC Program Customer Service Center will be closed during the following dates:

- Monday, **December 26, 2016** (Christmas Holiday)
- Monday, **January 2, 2017** (New Year's Day)
- Monday, **January 16, 2017** (MLK Holiday)

Vaccine Orders: Orders will continue to be received during these call center closures. Normal business hours will resume after each event. Please ensure that your practice has an adequate supply of VFC vaccines in stock to prevent running out of inventory during holiday closures.

Holiday Vaccine Shipment Schedule: VFC's National Vaccine Distributor, McKesson Specialty, and Merck (shipments of varicella-containing vaccines) will not ship VFC-supplied vaccines during the following dates:

- **December 19, 2016 through January 2, 2017.**

Vaccine deliveries will resume the week of January 4, 2016. For any ordering or delivery questions, please call a VFC Customer Service Representative at (877) 243-8832 Monday through Friday 9am to 5pm or visit us at our website: www.eziz.org

You can also view this information on <http://vchca.org/public-health/for-health-care-providers> or follow us on:



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