

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 <u>immunization.program@ventura.org</u>

Immunization Update 2016: Don't miss an informative in-service presented by Dr. Eileen Yamada, MD, MPH from California Department of Public Health, Immunization Branch. Approved for 3.5 contact hours for nurses by the California board of registered nursing, CEU provided by California Department of Public Health. Registration deadline is June 10, 2016 @ www.vcchdp.org For more information call 805-981-5211.

NEW IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULES AND FOOTNOTES

The 2016 Recommended Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 0 Through 18 Years has been approved by ACIP, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Family Physicians, and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. A summary of the updates to the 2016 immunization schedule was published in the <u>MMWR</u> on February 5, 2016, and the figures, footnotes, and tables are posted <u>on the CDC website</u>. For each vaccine, the footnotes summarize the current recommendations for routine and catch-up immunizations and recommendations for high-risk persons.

In keeping with your VFC provider agreement, providers should follow the <u>recommended 2016 ACIP</u> <u>immunization schedule</u>. We encourage providers to review the 2016 immunization schedule, complete footnotes, and catch-up schedule together with all staff, especially those who order and administer vaccines. We recommend that the 2016 schedules, including footnotes, be posted for reference in the office. VFC providers may order print copies of the 2016 ACIP Immunization Schedule through <u>VFC's Material Store</u>.

Immunization Requirements for school: Visit <u>www.shotsforschool.org</u> to get up to date information on school entry requirements. Please review the following links.

- Guide to Immunization Requirements for School Entry
- <u>No Shots? No Records? No School.</u>
- SB 792, Mendoza. Day care facilities:

Vaccine News:

Updated <u>Meningococcal</u> and <u>HPV9</u> VISs are available now <u>'You Call the Shots' Tdap module now available</u> <u>'You Call the Shots' Hepatitis B module now available</u>

IMPORTANT: VIS Updates - Several VIS's have been updated. Make sure you have the correct one for your practice you can visit <u>http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/current-vis.html</u>

CAIR Update: Bigger Better Faster! The California Immunization Registry (CAIR) is in the process of being updated to a bigger, better and faster immunization information system, called CAIR 2. All

existing immunization data from the regional registries in California are being combined into one system, so you will be able to access immunization information from across the state in the future. Visit the <u>CAIR 2 webpage</u> to find out:

- When your region will launch to CAIR 2
- What trainings you may need to take to use CAIR 2
- The many benefits of using CAIR 2

Continue to visit the CAIR 2 webpage for the latest updates!

And please remember to <u>update your email address through the login page</u> to receive important communications throughout the CAIR 2 transition.

VCF PROVIDERS:

- Beginning in 2017, <u>all VFC</u> will be required to use digital data loggers to monitor temps in their storage Units.
- Online Temp Log Submission
 - Online system was launched on April 14, 2016
 - Providers are automatically selected when their order is *submitted*.
 - Only <u>1</u> provider per day will be randomly selected to send their temperature logs in for review.

You will receive the following message when you press the submit order

ACTION REQUIRED:

Your account has been randomly selected to submit your temperature logs for the last 30 days for review. Your vaccine order will NOT be processed until the requested logs have been received. Logs may be: uploaded by using the 'Upload Temp Logs' button on the main page or faxed to 877-329-9832

• Email request for temperature logs will also be sent to the VC (Vaccine Coordinator) & the BVC (backup vaccine coordinator).

Vaccine Inventory: Make sure you have adequate vaccine inventory in your refrigerators to be ready for School enrollments.

Although vaccines may sometimes arrive within a few days of submitting your request, VFC recommends that you place your vaccine request with sufficient doses on hand to allow up to 3 weeks for the receipt of your vaccine shipment. In the event that your shipment takes the full 3 weeks to arrive, you will not run out of inventory while you wait for your shipment.

Keep in mind that all VFC communications are always posted on VFC's website, www.eziz.org

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



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