

California Vaccines for Children Program 2009-2010 VFC Influenza Vaccine On-line Ordering

Information and Instructions

In order to expedite the processing and distribution of seasonal influenza vaccine request, VFC is launching an on-line seasonal flu vaccine ordering system located within VFC's website at www.eziz.org. This streamlined process will ensure providers receive flu vaccine supplies in a timely manner soon after national VFC vaccine supplies become available.

Please note the following changes in the ordering and distribution process of seasonal flu VFC vaccine through VFC:

- 2009-2010 seasonal flu vaccine requests to VFC will be submitted electronically, by logging in www.eziz.org, and clicking on the link to "submit your order for season flu vaccine". Providers will log-in utilizing their clinic's VFC PIN and practice's ZIP code.
- Upon log-in, providers will be able to view their clinic's pre-allocated 2009-2010 supply of vaccine for their practice, verify the request and submit the order electronically to VFC.
- Pre-allocated vaccines are based on doses received by the clinic during the preceding season, and inclusive of an increase in doses in anticipation of higher immunization coverage in children ages 5-18 years of age.
- Pre-allocated requests may be reduced if needed. Requests for products not previously ordered in the preceding season, indicated by a "0" in the pre-populated order form, may also be placed. Providers will **not** be able to increase vaccine request beyond the capped allocation. VFC will notify providers in winter months about supplemental flu orders, depending on influenza vaccine supply and availability.
- Vaccine products received in the "36 months-18 years" age category may vary depending upon available vaccine supplies (Fluzone® or Novartis® Multi-dose vials).
- Upon submission, VFC providers will receive a confirmation page, which should be printed for the clinic's records.
- All submitted orders will remain on hold until the VFC program has received confirmation on the arrival of initial vaccine supplies at VFC's national vaccine distributor, expected by late September. VFC will notify providers when delivery of approved orders begins.
- Approved doses will arrive in multiple shipments. However, there will be no need to submit supplemental requests for the remainder of the allocation, as vaccines will be shipped automatically to practices as supply becomes available. VFC must be notified immediately in the event that remainder doses are no longer needed.
- If necessary, the VFC Program may adjust the number of doses sent due to demand or limitations on supply.

IMPORTANT: Sites MUST log in, verify their request, and submit orders to VFC in order to receive vaccines. Providers unable to use the electronic ordering system may contact our VFC Customer Service Center for assistance.