



# IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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## VFC Program Update: Supplemental flu ordering is now closed.

Dear VFC Providers,

The VFC Program closed 2018-2019 supplemental ordering for influenza vaccines on Friday, May 31, 2019.

Although this year's flu season is coming to an end, please keep the following information in mind:

- If you still have doses on-hand and have patients under 8 years of age who have not yet received their second dose, please ensure they are fully vaccinated before the end of this season.
- Check your flu vaccine expiration dates as some doses will expire in late May or June.
- Flu vaccine is good until expiration. Do not remove viable vaccine doses from your storage unit prior to expiration. This will result in preventable negligent vaccine wastage.
- Upon expiration, remove expired doses from your vaccine storage unit immediately. Complete and submit a VFC Return Form and request a return shipment label by logging into your MyVFCVaccines account on [www.eziz.org](http://www.eziz.org).

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**Thank you for continuing to make sure VFC-Eligible patients in your practice are protected from vaccine preventable diseases!**