



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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Get your practice ready for the 2015-2016 Flu Season

Dear VFC Provider,

VFC's Influenza Vaccine Order Confirmation for the 2015-2016 flu season will be available for providers to confirm their allocation in **mid-July 2015**. Once the system is open, you will have **2 weeks** to review and confirm allocated doses.

We encourage your practice to follow these steps to get ready:

1. Most flu products from the 2014-2015 flu season (except FluMist® which had earlier expiration dates) expire June 30, 2015. If you still have doses on-hand, please remove doses from your storage unit immediately.
2. Complete and submit a VFC Return form by logging into your MyVFCVaccines account on www.eziz.org. Complete this report **prior** to confirming your new flu allocation. You will need this information to confirm allocated doses. Ship expired doses back to McKesson as soon as possible.
3. Begin forming your flu vaccination plan to ensure all children in your practice are protected. Review the number of VFC doses administered based on your usage logs. Consider the number of VFC-eligible children in your practice within each age group: 6-35 months and 3-18 years of age; review flu vaccination scheduling plans; assess your available vaccine storage space, etc.
4. Confirm your initial VFC allocated flu doses according to your vaccination plan.

If you have any questions please call the VFC program at (877) 243-8832,
Monday through Friday from 9am to 5pm.

Are you not receiving VFC's emailed program letters and communications?
Visit our website at www.eziz.org and log into MyVFCVaccines to check your email address. Also be sure to check your spam folder!