



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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Vaccine Supply Update

Dear VFC Provider,

Please refer to the following items related to VFC supplied vaccines.

VACCINE SUPPLY

- **Hiberix**[®], GSK's Hib product, is no-longer available. Alternative products: Sanofi's ActHIB[®], Merck's COMVAX[®].
- **Pentacel**[®], Sanofi's DTaP/IPV-Hib combination Vaccine, continues to be in **limited supply** until early Fall 2012. Alternative Products: Single components (DTaP, Hib, and IPV) are available from Sanofi and GSK. **Important:** Doses should not be deferred or delayed due to Pentacel[®]'s unavailability; adequate supply of single components is currently available.
- **Tripedia**[®], one of the two DTaP products from Sanofi, is no longer available. Alternative products from Sanofi: Daptacel[®].
- **Td:** Sanofi Td is currently unavailable. Alternative product: Merck Td.
- **Influenza Vaccine:** VFC has closed influenza vaccine ordering in preparation to the 2012/2013 Influenza Season. Flu Order Confirmation for this coming season will be available from June 18th to July 18th, 2012, for confirming flu orders.

MMR VACCINE RECALL-PRIVATE DOSES ONLY

- This week, Merck initiated a voluntary recall of one lot of MMR (Lot 0851AA) distributed to private customers ONLY. No doses of this lot have been distributed through the VFC Program.
- Though the lot was not released according to the company's lot release procedure, according to a comprehensive internal investigation there are no associated product safety, quality or efficacy issues with the lot. Therefore, no action is necessary if the lot has been administered.

! Important correction regarding Pentacel's vaccine supply included in the Supply Update sent 6/15/2012: Pentacel is available; however, supplies continue to be limited.

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