



IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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VFC Program Influenza Vaccine Supply Update

Dear VFC Program providers,

The following influenza vaccine products are available for ordering through the Program's Supplemental Flu Ordering Site. Supplemental orders are accepted throughout flu season, as supplies permits.

| Product | VFC Age Group | Supply |
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| Fluzone® PF Pediatric Formulation, 0.25mL single dose syringes, Sanofi Pasteur | 6-35 months | Available |
| Fluzone® 10 dose vials (5mL) Sanofi Pasteur | 3-18 years | Available |
| Fluarix® PF Formulation 10 pack - 1 dose syringes (0.5mL), GSK | 3-18 years | Available |
| FluMist™, 10 pack-1 dose Intranasal Spray, MedImmune | Healthy 2-18 years | Available doses expire in early March. Providers should submit smaller and more frequent orders for this product. |

- Influenza activity is elevated across the United States. Children 6 months and older in your practice who have not gotten vaccinated yet this season should get vaccinated.
- VFC-supplied vaccine cannot be used for NON-eligible patients. Availability of influenza vaccines for non-VFC eligible patients served by your clinic (private vaccine) can be found at: http://www.preventinfluenza.org/ivats/ivats_healthcare.asp.
- We encourage you to take advantage of MedImmune's FluMist® replacement program to replace doses of VFC-supplied FluMist® with an expiration date **between August 2012 and January 31, 2013**. All requests must be submitted **by January 31, 2013** and expired/expiring doses must be received by McKesson by Friday, February 15, 2013. Replacement Program details are posted on www.eziz.org.

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