

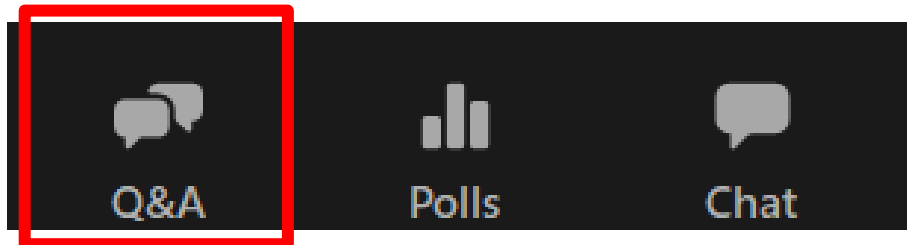
# California Department of Public Health Vaccines for Children Provider Webinar

Wednesday, February 2, 2022



# Q&A: VFC Provider Webinar

During today's session, please use the **Q&A panel** to ask your questions, so our subject matter experts can respond directly.



# Housekeeping

## Reminder to Panelists:



Please mute yourself when not speaking.

Please monitor the Q&A panel for questions you may be able to answer.

## Reminder to Participants:



Today's session is being recorded. Access today's slides and archived presentations at:

<https://eziz.org/covid/education/>

# Agenda: Wednesday, February 2, 2022

No.	Item	Speaker	Time (PM)
1	Welcome	Leslie Amani (Moderator)	12:30 – 12:35
2	Current State: COVID-19 Pandemic & Pediatric Vaccination	Erica Pan, M.D., MPH (State Epidemiologist, CDPH)	12:35 – 12:50
3	Funding: Additional Opportunities	Nisha Gandhi (CDPH) & Pearlie Beltran (PHC)	12:50 – 1:00
<b>Poll</b>			
4	Become a COVID-19 Vaccine Provider	Amy Lara (CDPH)	1:00 – 1:10
5	Storage & Handling: Simplified Guidelines	Alan Hendrickson (CDPH)	1:10 – 1:15
6	FAQs: CA COVID-19 Vaccination Program	Nisha Gandhi (CDPH)	1:15 – 1:20
<b>Q&amp;A and Discussion</b>			1:20 – 1:25
7	Wrap-up	Leslie Amani (Moderator)	1:25 – 1:30

# Current State of COVID-19 Pandemic & Pediatric Vaccination

Erica Pan, MD, MPH, FAAP  
CDPH State Epidemiologist  
Deputy Director, Center for Infectious Diseases  
Clinical Professor, UCSF Pediatric Infectious Diseases

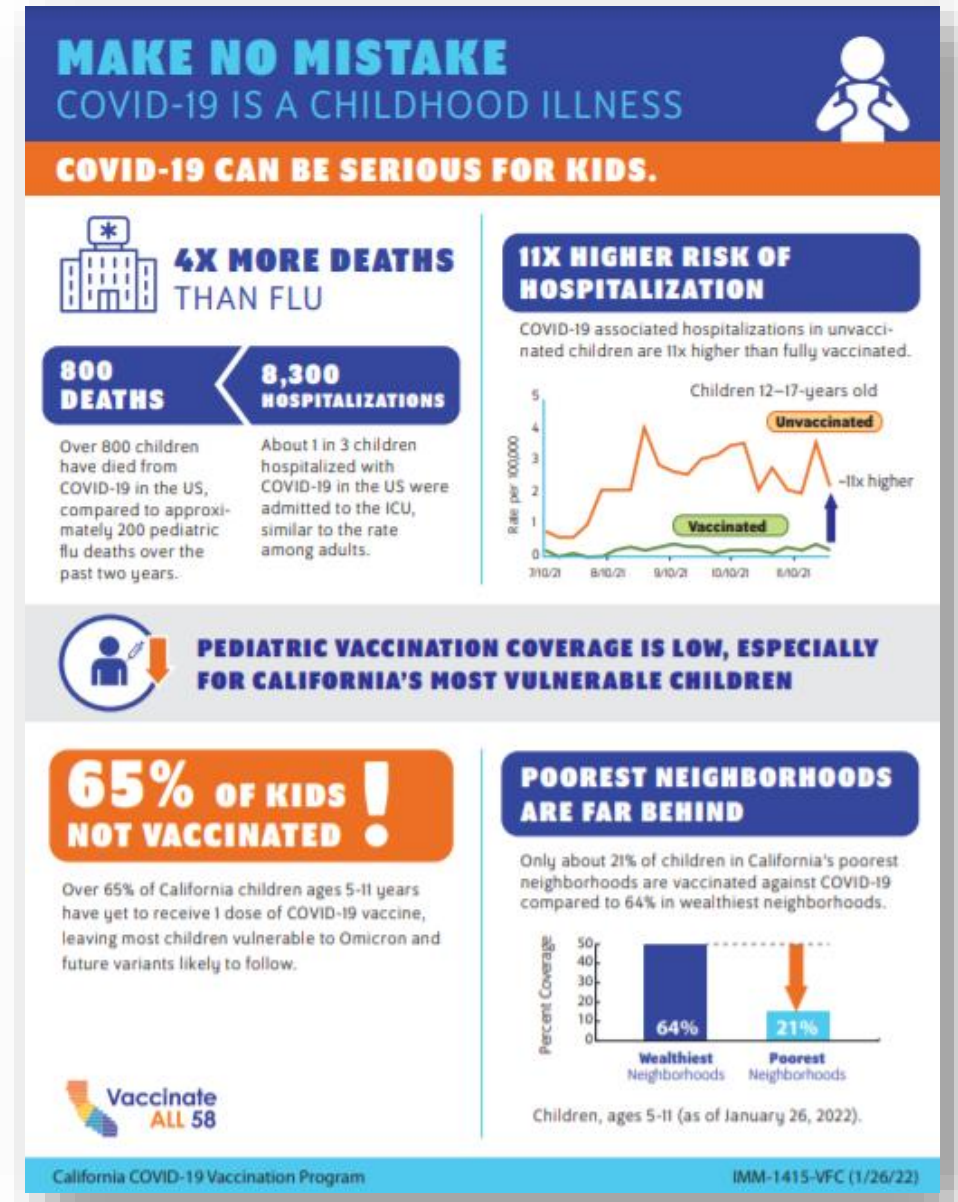


# Why Vaccinate Children Against COVID-19?

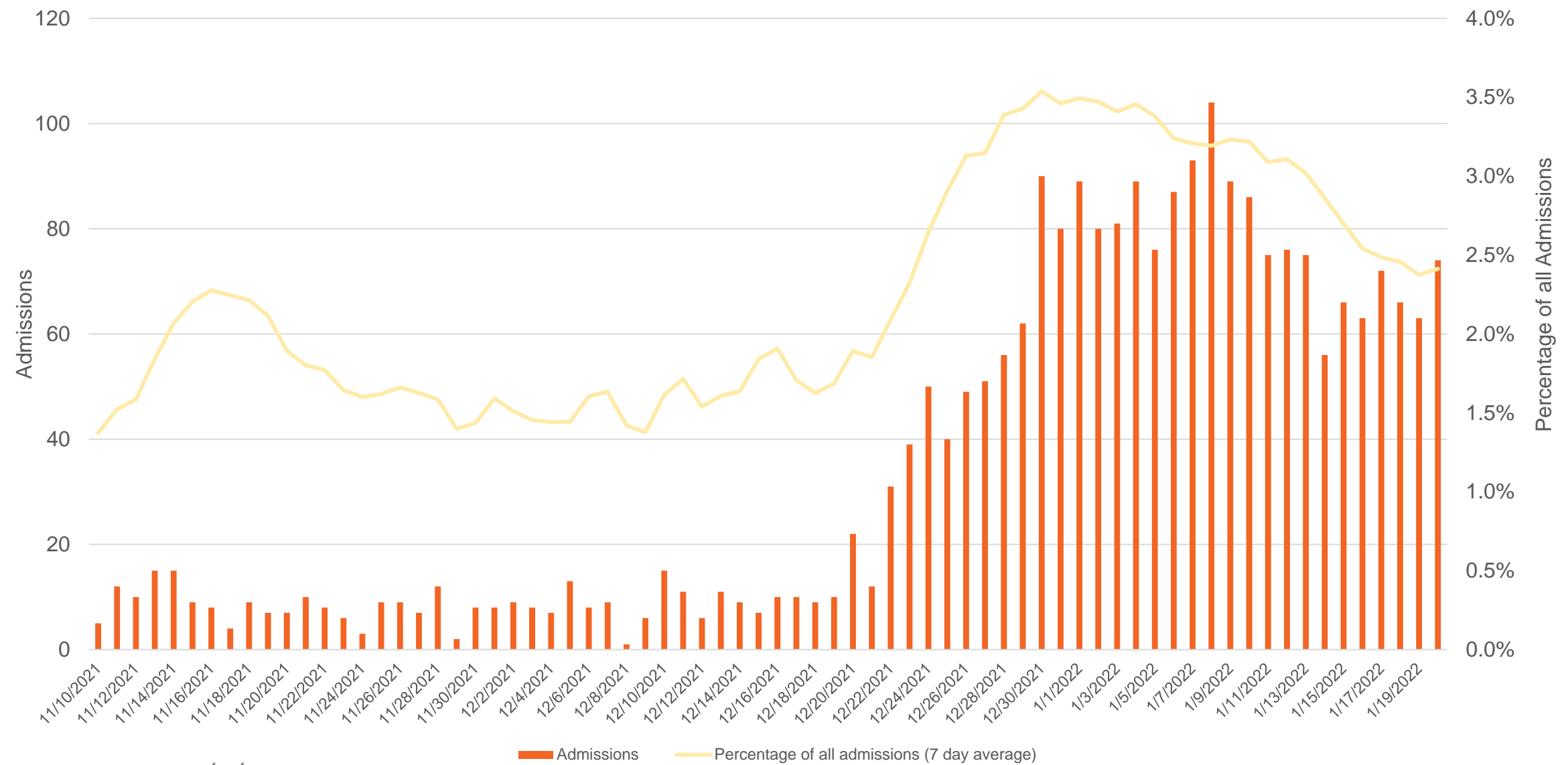


# COVID-19 is a Childhood Illness

- 4x more deaths than flu
- 11x higher risk of hospitalization for unvaccinated children
- Poorest neighborhoods are far behind
- 65% of kids not vaccinated



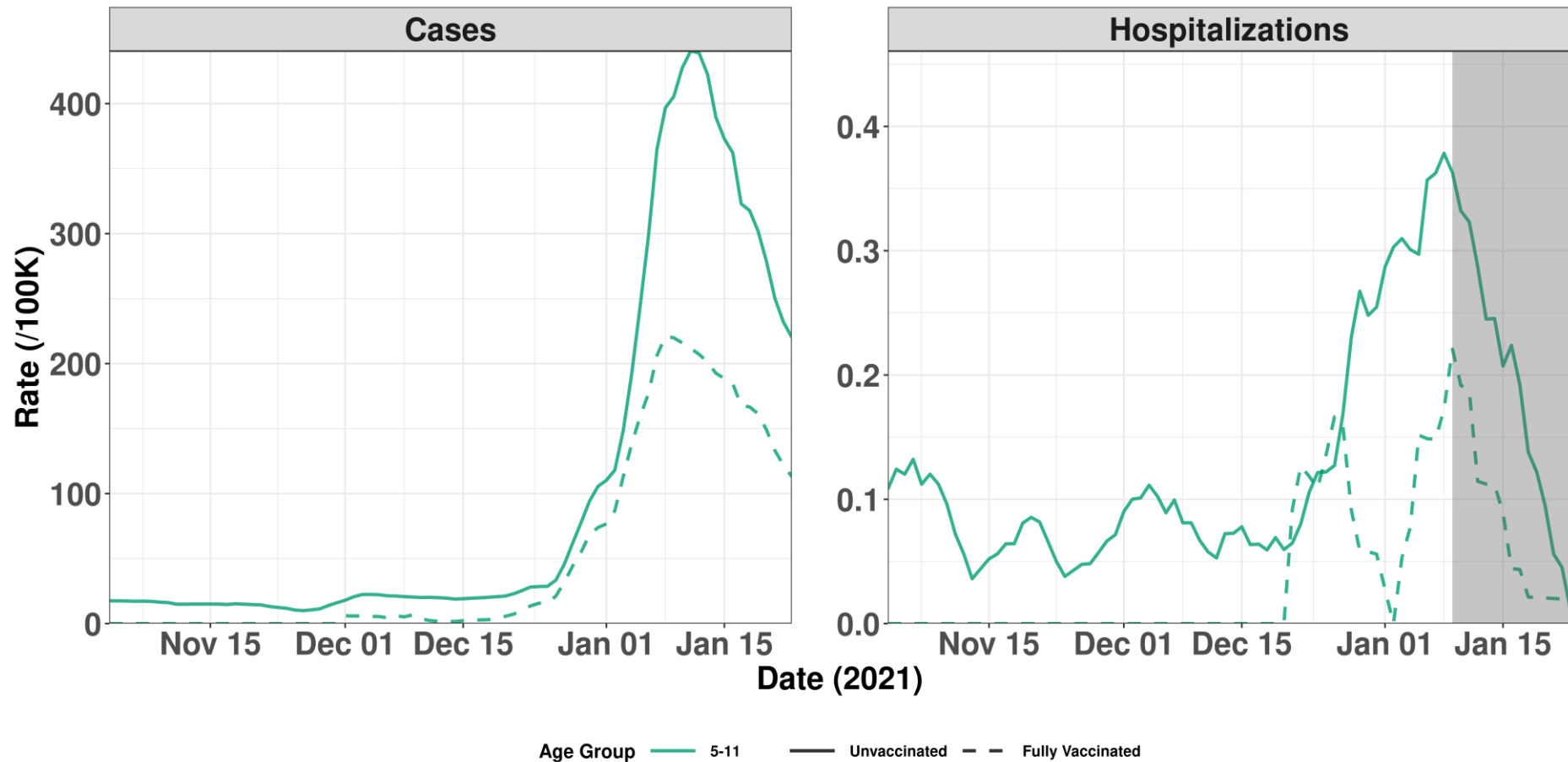
# Daily COVID+ Admissions in Children Aged 0-17 Years, California



2/2/2022



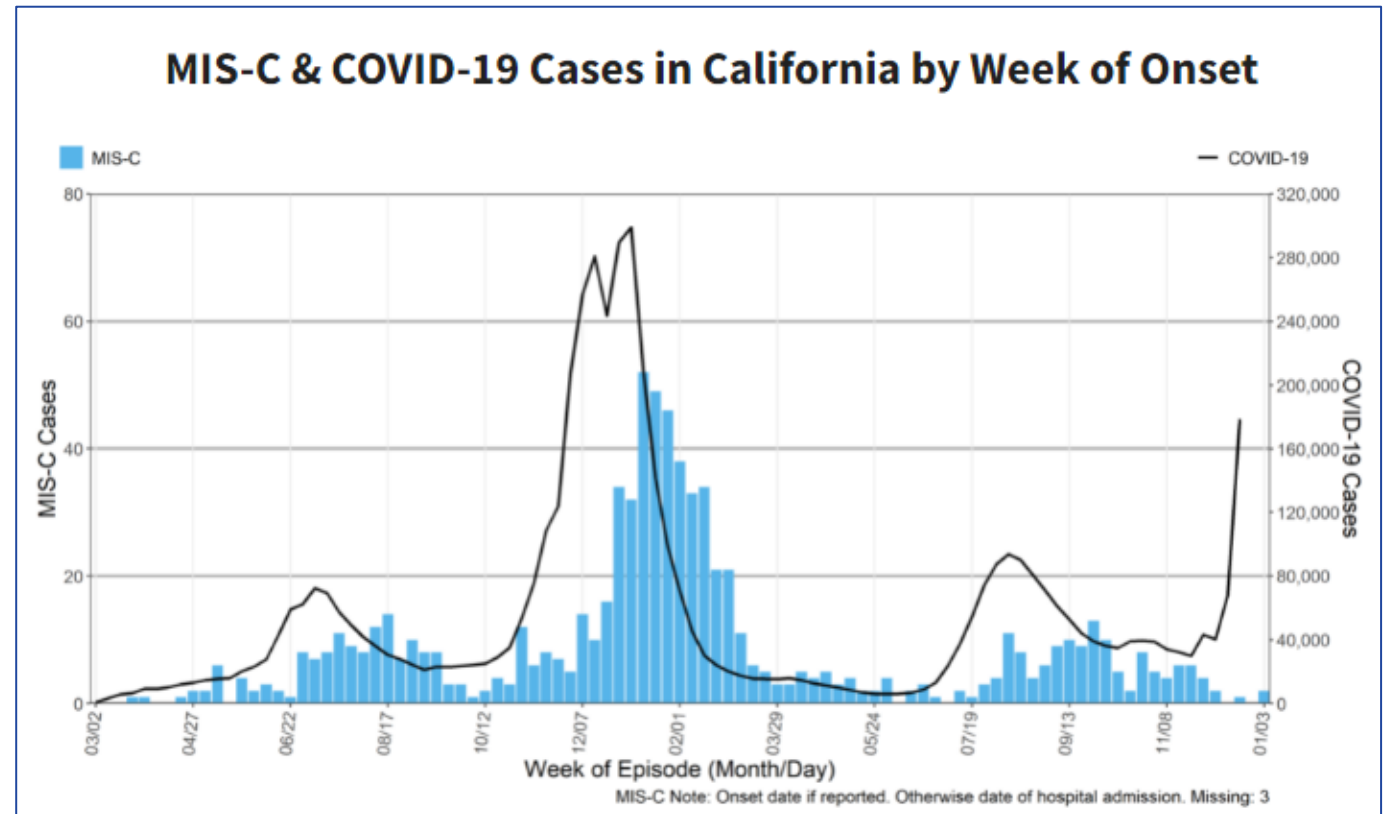
# Rates of Cases, Hospitalizations, and Deaths by Vaccination Status Among Ages 5-11 - November 3, 2021 to January 23, 2022



2/2/2022

# COVID-19 and Multisystem Inflammatory Syndrome in Children (MIS-C)

- Usually presents about 2-6 weeks post COVID-19 infection.
- >800 reported in CA to date
- ~1/2 previously healthy
- ~1/2 admitted to ICU
- Co-morbidities include obesity, lung disease, congenital heart disease or other malformation, seizures, or cancer



# COVID-19 vaccination protects against multisystem inflammatory syndrome in children (MIS-C) among 12–18 year-olds hospitalized during July–December 2021

Vaccination reduced likelihood of MIS-C by:



ADOLESCENTS HOSPITALIZED WITH MIS-C



No vaccinated MIS-C patients required life support



## COVID-19 VACCINATION IS THE BEST PROTECTION AGAINST MIS-C

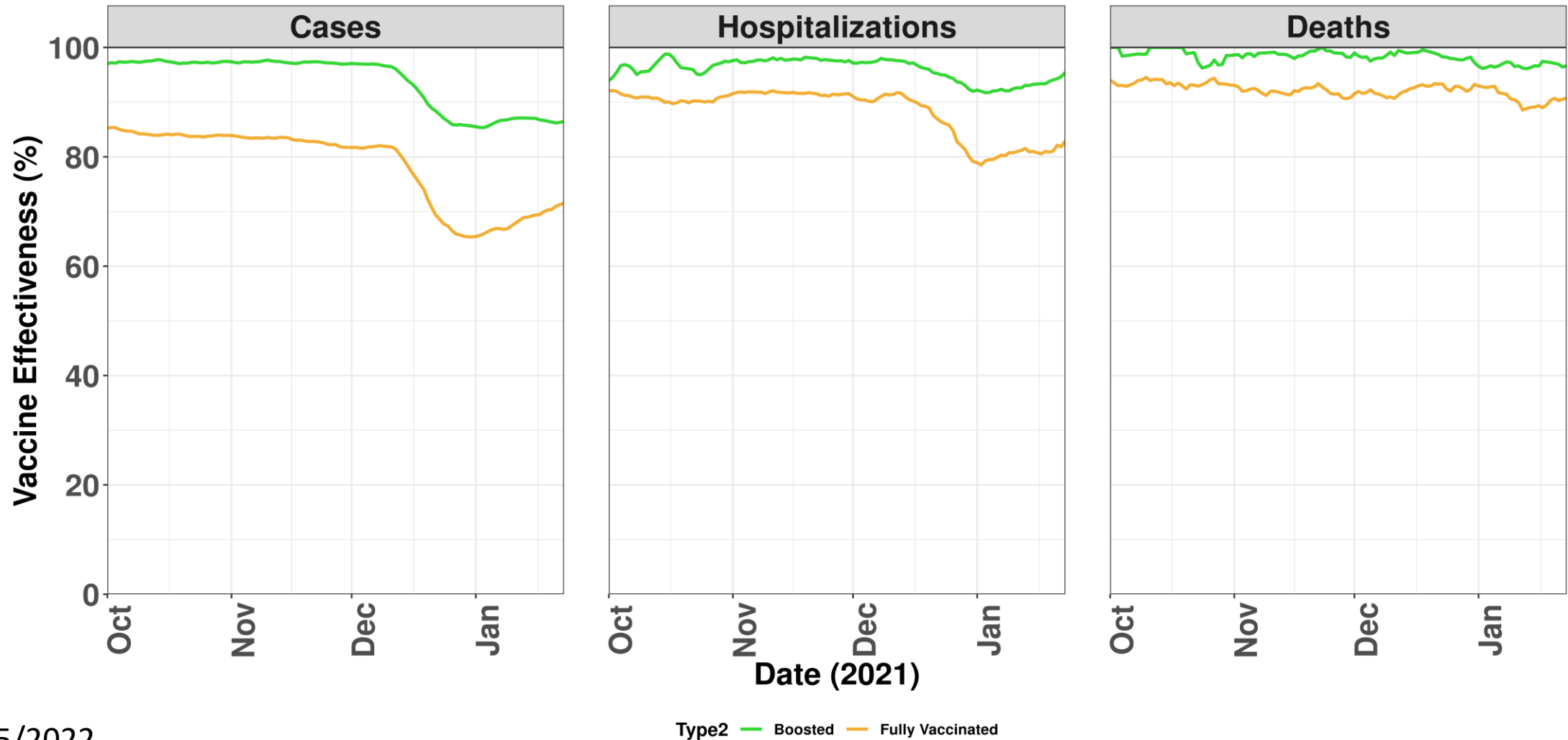


\* Case-control study, 238 patients in 24 pediatric hospitals—20 U.S. states  
† 2 doses of Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine received ≥28 days before hospital admission

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# COVID-19 Vaccine and Booster Effectiveness in California



1/25/2022

- Type2 — Boosted — Fully Vaccinated
- Vaccination status groups are mutually exclusive

# COVID-19 Vaccine are Safe for Children



## Summary of VAERS findings-Reports after Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccination Among Children and Adolescents Ages 5-11 and Ages 12-15 Years

- Since authorization, 8.7 million doses of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine were administered to children ages 5-11 years, and 18.7 million doses to children and adolescents ages 12-15 years, in the United States.
- Regardless of age group, most reports ( $\geq 92\%$ ) were non-serious
  - Distribution by sex, race, and ethnicity is similar between two age groups
  - Most frequently reported adverse events (AEs) were known and well-characterized AEs associated with Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccination, or consistent with vaccination errors or workup for myocarditis or MIS-C
  - Reported myocarditis among children ages 5-11 years:
    - Male predominance and mostly after dose 2, similar to older age groups
    - **Reporting rates for males ages 5-11-years substantially lower for males ages 12-17 years.**
- CDC will continue monitoring COVID-19 vaccine safety among these age groups.





# 8.7 million\* COVID-19 vaccinations have been given to children ages 5-11 years old

Health check-ins to v-safe completed for over 42,000 children after vaccination†

**Side effects were common but mild and brief<sup>‡</sup>**

- ✓ Pain where shot was given
- ✓ Fatigue
- ✓ Headache



**Mild side effects are a normal sign the body is building protection**



**Few myocarditis cases have been reported**



**Vaccination is the best way to protect children from COVID-19 complications**



\* As of December 19, 2021

† V-safe, a voluntary smartphone vaccine safety monitoring system

‡ After the 2nd dose, about 2/3 children had a local reaction such as arm pain; 1/3 had a reaction beyond the injection site

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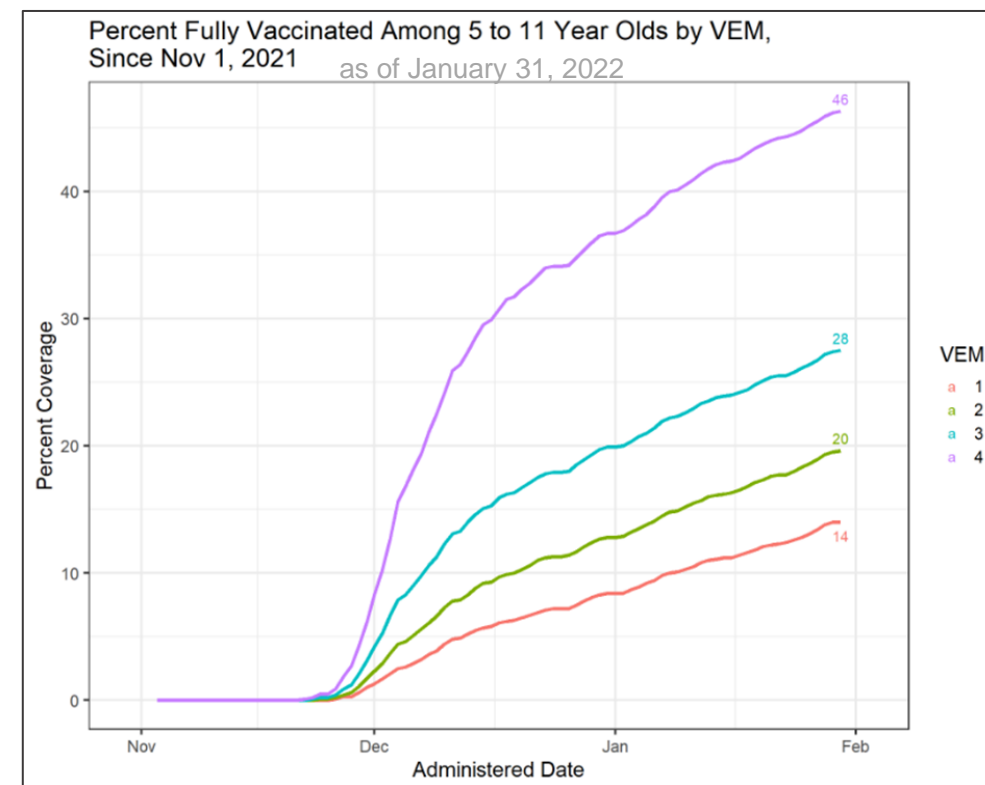
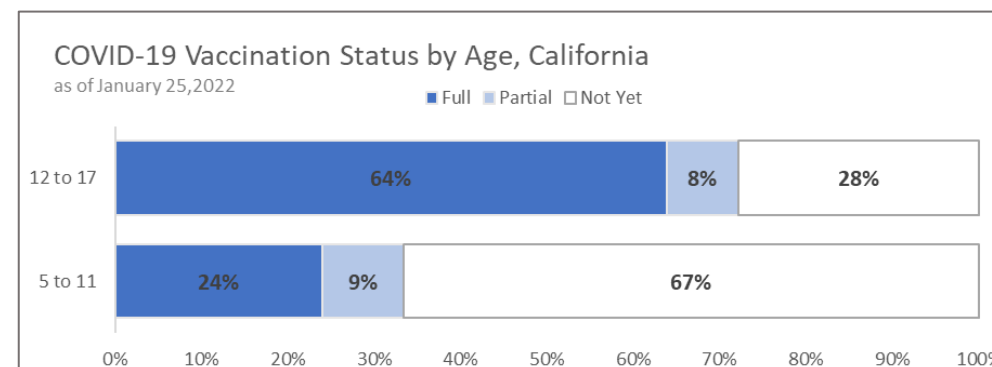
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# Vaccine Equity Ages 5-to-11

67% of children aged 5-to-11 in California have yet to receive 1 dose of the COVID-19 vaccine

## VEM/HPI Q4 vs Q1 Equity Gap

- **32%** gap between Q4 and Q1 youth
- Q1 youth **1/3** less likely to be vaccinated than their Q4 counterparts



# Top 5 Reason to Get Kids Vaccinated



**Unvaccinated children are at risk of getting COVID-19**, + potential serious complications, and/or long-term impacts.



**The vaccine is safe and effective**, and no long-term problems have been seen for any vaccine.



**Getting those who are eligible vaccinated can help keep schools & communities safe.**



**Getting them safely back to the classroom and their favorite afterschool activities** supports mental health & wellness.



**Vaccines are safe, effective, and free**



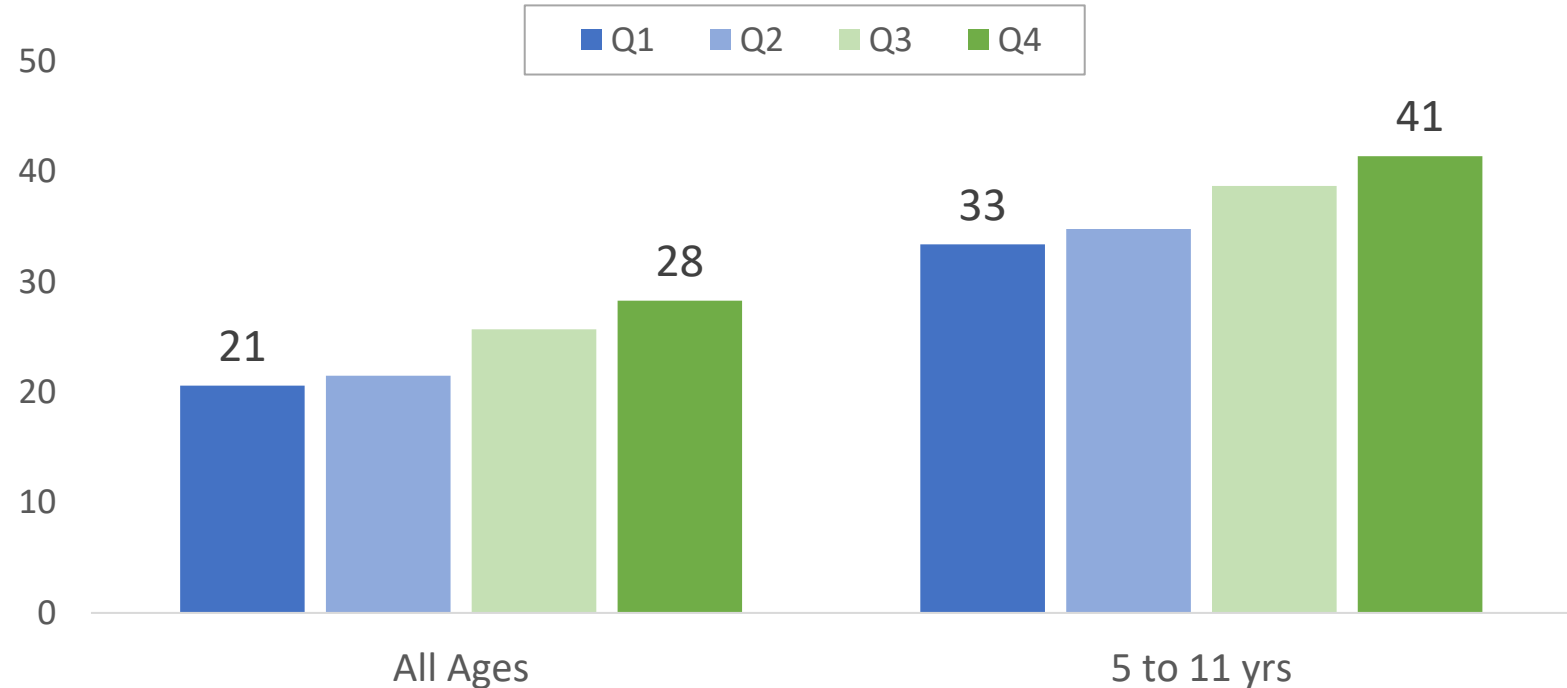


# Role of Medical Practices in Pediatric Vaccination

**5-to-11-year-olds** are more likely to be vaccinated at a **Medical Practice** than the general population.

People living in **Q4 (healthier) areas** are more likely to be vaccinated by a **Medical Practice** than people living in Q1 (less healthy) areas.

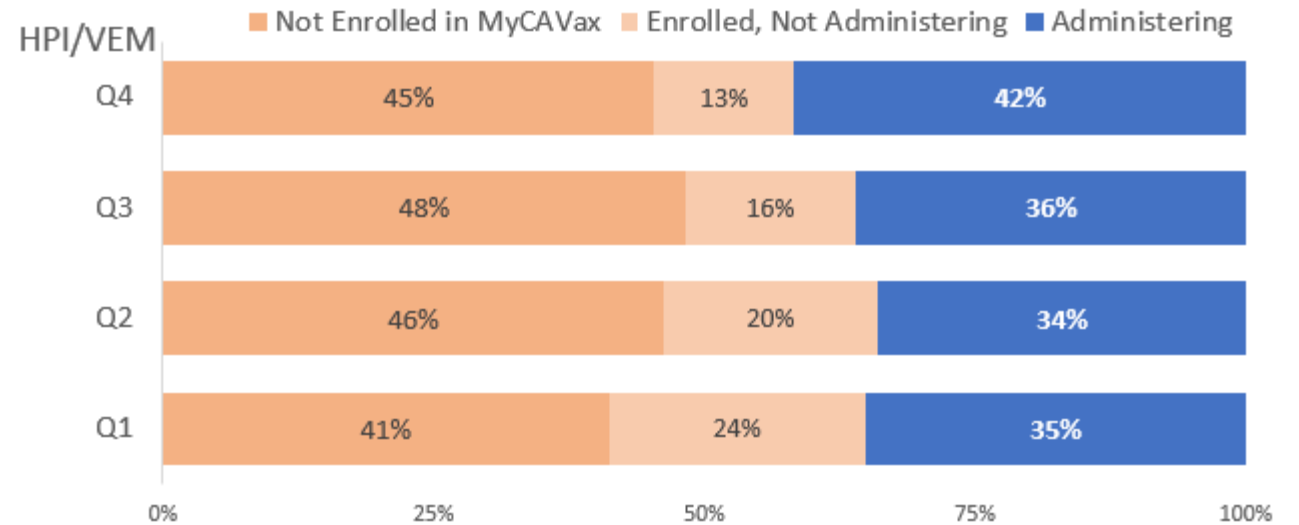
Percent of Doses Administered at a **Medical Practice** by Age Group and HPI Quartile



# VFC Participation in COVID-19 Vaccination

- Over half of all VFC providers are either not enrolled in MyCAVax or not administering
- 65% of VFC providers serving HPI Q1 and Q2 are not enrolled or not administering

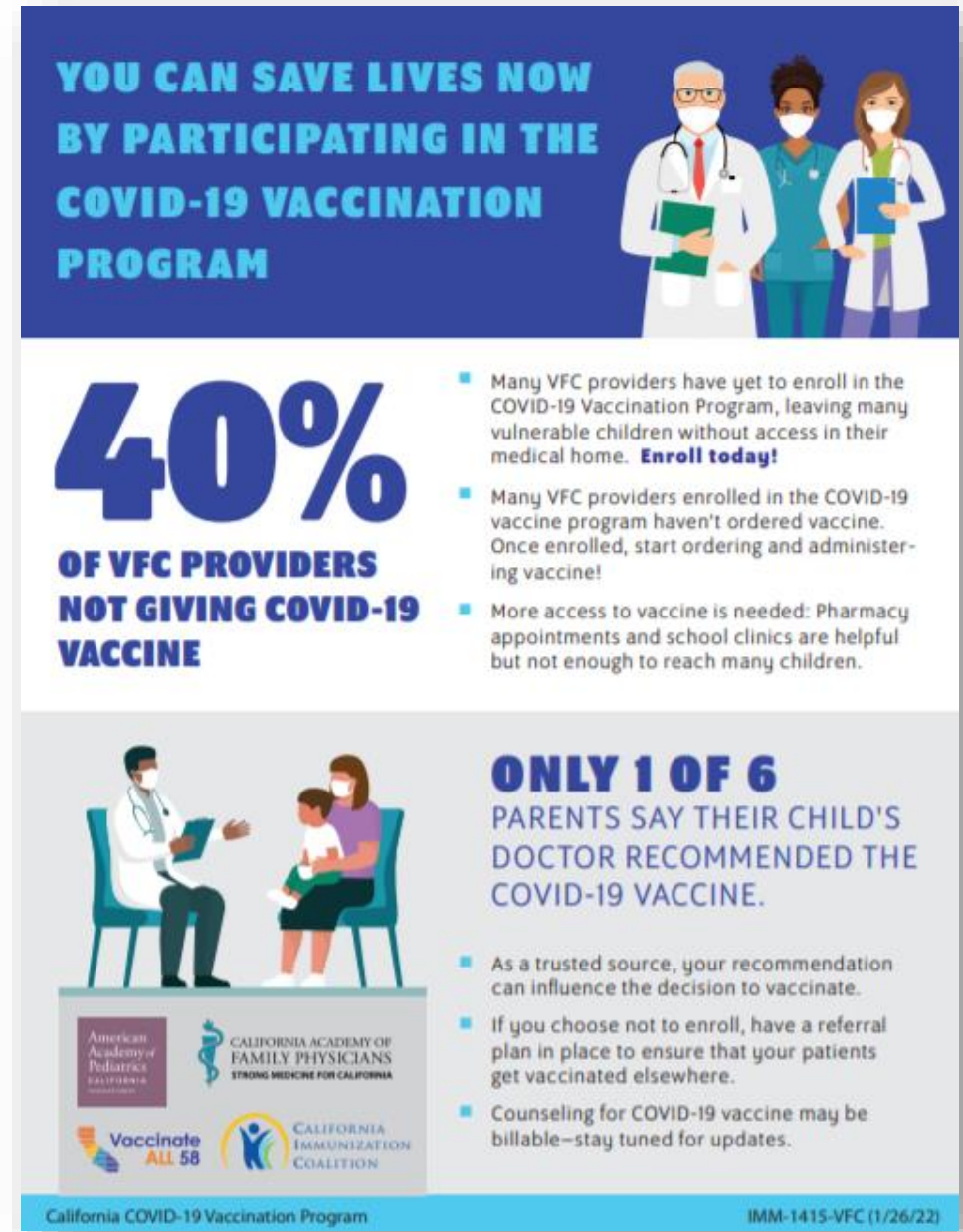
Preliminary VFC Provider Analysis, California 2022



# VFC Providers are Needed

- Pfizer EUA authorization for children under 5 could occur by the end of February or beginning of March
- California COVID-19 school vaccination requirement coming when FDA grants full approval for Pfizer vaccine for children under 16 years of age.

**The time for vaccinating children is now!**



# Funding: Additional Opportunities

Nisha Gandhi, CDPH

Pearlie Beltran, PHC



# CalVaxGrant: Vaccines for Children (VFC)



# CalVaxGrant – Vaccines for Children



CalVaxGrant funds support Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers!

- VFC providers **not enrolled** in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program:
  - **\$10,000** to support enrollment and launch
- VFC providers **enrolled** in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program could be eligible for funding\* by:
  - expanding vaccination operating hours
    - days and times more convenient for working parents



\*Amount TBD

# Poll: Additional Funding Opportunities

1. If offered additional funding to expand operations to increase COVID-19 pediatric vaccination, how would your organization use it?

- ☐ Hire more staff
- ☐ Expand evening office hours
- ☐ Expand weekend office hours
- ☐ Expand Vaccine Storage Capacity (Purchase additional vaccine storage units or replace current unit to larger unit)
- ☐ Other

2. If a new program awards grants to VFC Providers to expand operations to increase COVID-19 pediatric vaccinations, I will apply.

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

# Become a COVID-19 Vaccine Provider

Amy Lara, CDPH



# Enroll in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program Today!

With the expansion of COVID-19 vaccination for 5-11-year-olds, participation of VFC Providers in the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program is key to increasing vaccine equity among your VFC patients.

## Key reasons to enroll in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program:

- Reduces vaccination barriers to access!
- VFC Providers are already set up for proper storage and administration! [Read more!](#)
  - [Ultra-low freezers not required](#)
- Pfizer now comes in **smaller Standard Order sizes** and is available through **Small Orders**

**Your strong recommendation is one of the most important factors in your patients' decision to get vaccinated!**

# Before You Enroll

- ✓ Step 1: Review Program Requirements including CDC Provider Agreement
- ✓ Step 2: Identify Responsible Officers & Key Staff
- ✓ Step 3: Enroll in your local Immunization Information System (IIS)
- ✓ Step 4: Review Storage & Handling Guidelines
- ✓ Step 5: Complete Required Training
- ✓ Step 6: CDC Provider Agreement in myCAvax

## Provider Enrollment: Before You Enroll

California COVID-19 Vaccination Program



Providers with an active license in California and who possess and administer vaccines are eligible to enroll in the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program. To receive State doses, local providers, medical groups, health systems, multi-county entities, pharmacies, and [HRSA community health centers](#) will enroll in myCAvax. Your application will be reviewed and verified by CDPH prior to approval.

### Section A: Provider Requirements & Legal Agreement

**Organization Coordinator** is the Point of Contact who enrolls the provider organization in myCAvax. This role will complete Section A, identify affiliated locations (under the same CEO) who are to receive or administer COVID-19 vaccines, register with VaccineFinder and determine whether Organization or Locations will report inventory daily, and monitor all program communications.

**Who signs?** Organization's Chief Medical Officer (or equivalent medical official) and Chief Executive Officer (or chief fiduciary/legal official) must agree to the conditions of program participation and DocuSign the CDC Provider Requirements & Agreement on behalf of your Organization.

### Section B: Provider Profile Information

Each location must have an **on-site** primary and backup **Location Coordinator**, typically filled by vaccine coordinators. This role will enroll the provider location in myCAvax; receive vaccines, monitor temperatures, and manage vaccine inventory; receive emails regarding allocations, shipments, and temperature monitoring; may be delegated to report inventory to VaccineFinder; and may transport vaccines for mass vaccination clinics. The Location Coordinator completes Section B and submits the application to CDPH for review.

**Who signs?** Medical or Pharmacy Director (or Vaccine Coordinator) responsible for location's adherence to CDC Provider Agreement terms must DocuSign Section B.

### Step 1: Review Program Requirements

Review [CDC Provider Agreement](#) to ensure your facility can meet all program requirements. Go to [Program Enrollment](#) to review Steps to Participation (in the TPA Network) to ensure you are willing to participate in order to receive vaccine. (Providers of pediatric services may opt out.)

### Step 2: Enroll in IIS

Each vaccination location must be enrolled in the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) and have their own unique IIS Registry ID (e.g., CAIR Org Code); locations may not share the Organization's IIS ID. If your facility is not currently enrolled, please [enroll in your local registry](#) now. If your location is already enrolled in CAIR2/SDIR/RIDE and has its own unique IIS ID, do not enroll again; use your existing CAIR Org Code.


California COVID-19 Vaccination Program

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# CDC Provider Agreement Enrollment Worksheet

## Section A: Provider Requirements & Legal Agreement

**CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program  
Provider Agreement**



Please complete Sections A and B of this form as follows:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) greatly appreciates your organization's (Organization) participation in the CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program. Your Organization's chief medical officer (or equivalent) and chief executive officer (or chief fiduciary)—collectively, Responsible Officers—must complete and sign the *CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Requirements and Legal Agreement (Section A)* in **myCAvax**. In addition, the *CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Profile Information (Section B)* must be completed for each vaccination location (Location) covered under the Organization listed in Section A.

**Section A. COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Requirements and Legal Agreement**

**Organization Identification**

Organization's legal name:

Number of affiliated vaccination locations covered by this agreement:

Organization telephone:

Email:  (must be monitored and will serve as dedicated contact method for the COVID-19 Vaccination Program)

Street address 1:  Street address 2:

City:  County:  State:  ZIP:

**Responsible officers**

For the purposes of this agreement, in addition to Organization, Responsible Officers named below will also be accountable for compliance with the conditions specified in this agreement. The individuals listed below must provide their signatures after reviewing the agreement requirements.

**Chief Medical Officer (or Equivalent) Information**

Last name:  First name:  Middle initial:

Title:  Licensure state:  Licensure number:

Telephone:  Email:

Street address 1:  Street address 2:

**Do Not Submit  
Enrollment Worksheet**

## Section B: Provider Profile Information

CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement

**Section B. CDC COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Profile Information**  
*If you are enrolling on behalf of one or more other affiliated Organization vaccination locations, collect information for each location. Each individual Organization vaccination location must adhere to the requirements listed in Section A.*

**Organization identification for individual locations**

Organization location name:  Will another Organization location order COVID-19 vaccine for this site? ☐ If YES, provide Organization name:

**Contact information for location's primary COVID-19 vaccine coordinator**

Last name:  First name:  Middle initial:

Telephone:  Email:

**Contact information for location's backup COVID-19 vaccine coordinator**

Last name:  First name:  Middle initial:

Telephone:  Email:

**Organization location address for receipt of COVID-19 vaccine shipments**

Street address 1:  Street address 2:

City:  County:  State:  ZIP:

Telephone:  Fax:

**Organization address of location where COVID-19 vaccine will be administered (if different from receiving location)**

Street address 1:  Street address 2:

City:  County:  State:  ZIP:

Telephone:  Fax:


**Days and times vaccine coordinators are available for receipt of COVID-19 vaccine shipments**

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
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# Complete Required Training

- Providers and key practice staff who manage, handle, or administer COVID-19 vaccines must complete required training before enrolling:
  - Additional key practice staff should access the [COVID-19 Required Training](#) website.
  - Organization and Location Coordinators must complete the training in myCAvax.

# myCAvax Homepage

Home


## Join California's fight against COVID-19

### Enroll your organization in California's COVID-19 vaccination program

The myCAvax system is your organization's home for enrolling, ordering and tracking COVID-19 vaccine. If you are your organization's designated Organization Coordinator, start the enrollment process below.

[Enroll your organization](#)

Already registered? [Log in](#) now.



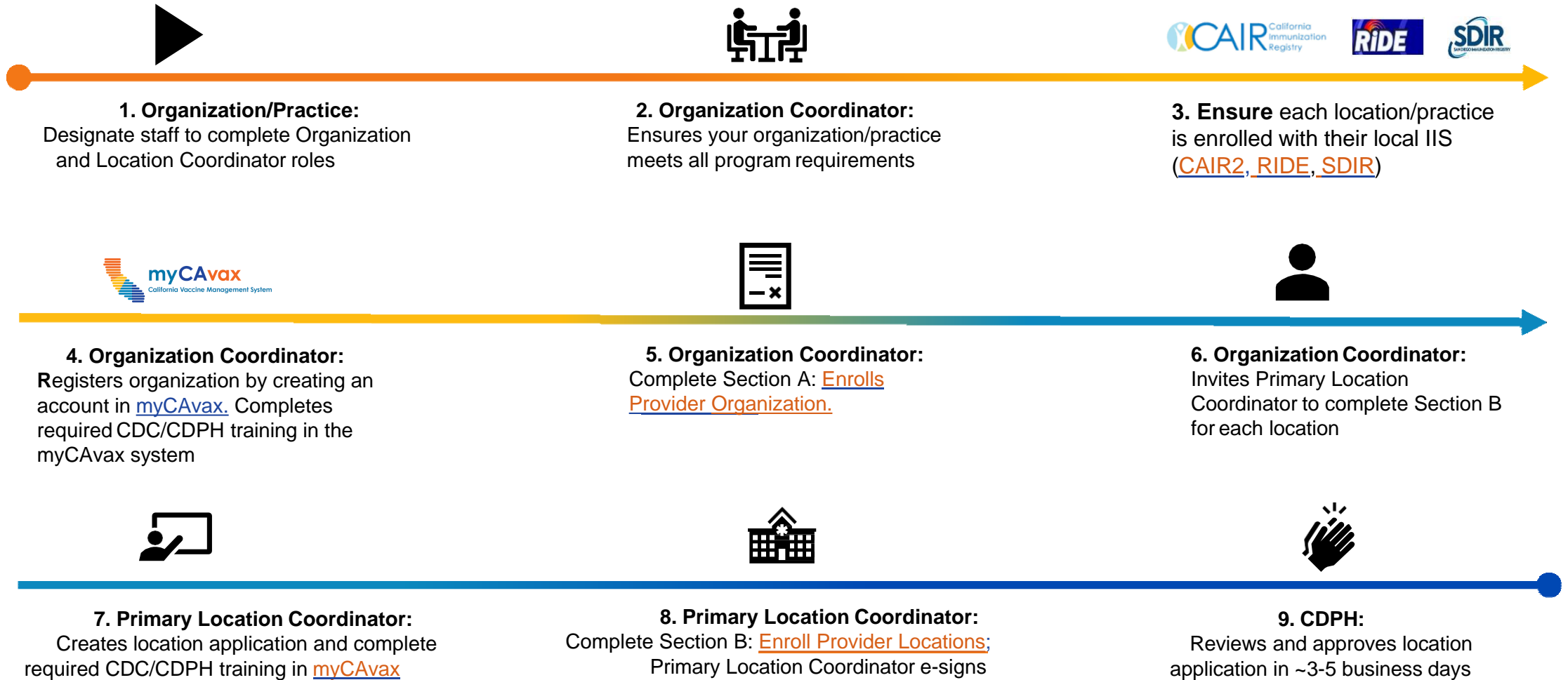
## Preparing for Enrollment

Program eligibility and enrollment into myCAvax is currently focused on the onboarding of small physician practices who routinely vaccinate their patients, as well as providers who are prioritized for vaccine allocation by their local health department.

To prepare for enrollment, start by reviewing the steps below. Our Enrollment Kit provides a detailed overview of the enrollment and onboarding process.

[Enrollment kit](#)

# COVID-19 Provider Enrollment Onboarding



# Storage & Handling: Simplified Guidelines

Alan Hendrickson, CDPH



# No ULT Required!





# Simplified Storage & Handling Guidelines

Pfizer pediatric (5-11 years, orange cap)

10 weeks at normal refrigerated temperature, 2° to 8°

- Cannot be stored at normal frozen temperatures
- Pharmaceutical grade refrigerator and a DDL
- Requires dilution but that's furnished
- 10 dose multidose vial but a 12 hours BUD at room temperature
- 100 dose minimum order from Pfizer
- 30 dose minimum order from Third-party Redistributor (TPR, AmerisourceBergen)



# Simplified Storage & Handling Guidelines

Pfizer (6 months - 4 years, maroon cap)

- 10 weeks at normal refrigerated temperature, 2° to 8°
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- Pharmaceutical grade refrigerator and a DDL
- Requires dilution but that's furnished
- 10 dose multidose vial but a 12 hours BUD at room temperature
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# Simplified Storage & Handling Guidelines

## Storage and Handling Details

- Pfizer Information: <https://www.cvdvaccine.com/>
- EZIZ.org: <https://eziz.org/covid/>
- Or email Kate and Al:
  - **Kate McHugh**, [Kate.McHugh@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Kate.McHugh@cdph.ca.gov)
  - **Al Hendrickson**, [Alan.Hendrickson@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:Alan.Hendrickson@cdph.ca.gov)

# FAQs: CA COVID-19 Vaccination Program

Nisha Gandhi, CDPH

“I don’t have an ultra-low freezer.”

*Great news—you don’t need one! All of the COVID vaccines can be stored in the refrigerator.*

“I don’t have the storage capacity to hold many doses at a time.”

*You can order as few as 30 doses at a time.*

“Why can’t I order COVID vaccines through the VFC Program?”

*The COVID-19 Vaccine Program is set up and is operated separately and has a different agreement that must be signed.*

# Poll: Enrollment COVID-19 Vaccine Program

1. Are you interested in enrolling in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ I am already enrolled

# VFC Webinar Q&A

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# Wrap-up

Leslie Amani, CDPH



# Additional Support

## Type of Support

## Description

Updated 12.29.21



### COVID-19 Provider Call Center

The COVID-19 Call Center for Providers and Local Health Departments is dedicated to medical providers in California and their COVID-19 response, specifically addressing questions about State program requirements, enrollment, and vaccine distribution, including the Vaccine Marketplace.

- Email: [covidcallcenter@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:covidcallcenter@cdph.ca.gov)
- Phone: (833) 502-1245, Monday through Friday from 8AM–6PM



### Enrollment Support

For Provider enrollment support, please contact myCAvax Clinic Operations at

- Email: [myCAvaxinfo@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:myCAvaxinfo@cdph.ca.gov)



### myCAvax Help Desk

Dedicated staff provide up-to-date information and technical support on the myCAvax system.

- Email: [myCAvax.HD@Accenture.com](mailto:myCAvax.HD@Accenture.com)
- Phone: (833)-502-1245, option 3, Monday through Friday 7AM–7PM, Saturday and Sunday 8AM-1PM

For training opportunities: <https://eziz.org/covid/education/>



### My Turn Clinic Help Desk

For **onboarding support** (those in the process of onboarding): [myturnonboarding@cdph.ca.gov](mailto:myturnonboarding@cdph.ca.gov)

For **technical support** with My Turn Clinic for COVID-19 and flu vaccines: [MyTurn.Clinic.HD@Accenture.com](mailto:MyTurn.Clinic.HD@Accenture.com) or (833) 502-1245, option 4: Monday through Friday 7AM–7PM, Saturday and Sunday 8AM–1PM.

For job aids, demos, and training opportunities: flu at <https://eziz.org/covid/myturn/flu/> and COVID at <https://eziz.org/covid/myturn/>



### Archived Communications

For archived communications from the COVID-19 Provider Call Center about the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program visit

- Website: [EZIZ Archived Communications](#)



# Thank you!

## Upcoming Office Hours for Enrolled Providers:

- **Provider Office Hours: Fridays, 9AM-10AM**
  - Register [here](#)
  - Session password: Immunize!
- **My Turn / myCAvax Office Hours: Mondays, 12PM-1PM**
  - Register [here](#)
  - Session Password: Immunize!