REQUIRED: REPORT "RACE/ETHNICITY" FOR EVERY PATIENT RECEIVING COVID-19 VACCINE

The first step in ensuring that COVID-19 vaccine is distributed equitably is to report the race/ethnicity of every patient immunized in whichever method your clinic is using to submit immunization data to your local immunization registry (e.g. manual entry, electronic health record system [EHR], PrepMod).

Documenting "race/ethnicity" for every immunized patient is a requirement of the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program.

Reporting race/ethnicity of your patients helps:

- Meet the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program requirement
- Ensure COVID-19 vaccine is distributed equitably among vulnerable communities
- Public health departments and providers assess gaps in immunization coverage
- Support interventions to address health disparities
- Improve data quality/accuracy

Clinic staff are encouraged to get in the habit of documenting "race/ethnicity" for patients receiving any vaccine, not only COVID-19 vaccine.