Provider Agreement

LHD 317 Local Health Department 317 Program

To receive publicly funded vaccines at no cost, I agree to the following conditions, on behalf of myself and all the practitioners, nurses, and others associated with the healthcare facility of which I am the medical director or equivalent:

Program Requirements

- Submit a provider profile representing populations served by the practice and submit more frequently if a) the number of adults served changes, or b) the status of the facility changes during the calendar year.
- 2. Federally-funded Section 317 vaccines will be administered to any individual aged 19 years and older meeting one or more of the following eligibility categories:

317 vaccine-eligible adults: (a) Uninsured: Does not have (public or private) health insurance coverage (b) Underinsured: A person who has health insurance, but the insurance does not cover any vaccines; a person whose insurance covers only selected vaccines; a person whose insurance does not provide first-dollar coverage for vaccines.

Fully insured individuals seeking vaccines during identified public health response activities* including: (a) outbreak response (b) post-exposure prophylaxis (c) disaster relief efforts (d) mass vaccination campaigns or exercises for public health preparedness.

* Requires pre-approval from the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) prior to the use of 317-funded vaccine for the above activities.

Staff will consult the <u>317 Eligibility Based on Insurance Status table (PDF)</u> as needed to determine specific vaccine eligibility for patients. Eligibility screening and documentation of eligibility status will be conducted at each immunization encounter and prior to the administration of vaccine doses. All staff, including front office and billing staff, will be knowledgeable of 317 eligibility. Eligibility status will be documented in the program's <u>317 Eligibility Screening Record (PDF)</u>, or California Immunization Registry (CAIR), or Electronic Health Record (EHR) containing the required documentation elements found in the 317 Eligibility Screening Form.

- 3. Section 317 vaccines will be administered in compliance with the most recent immunization schedule, dosage, and contraindications based on guidance from the California Department of Public Health unless: (a) in making a medical judgment in accordance with accepted medical practice, the provider deems such compliance to be medically inappropriate for the patient; or (b) the patient declines particular immunizations.
- 4. Patients immunized with 317-funded vaccines will not be billed for the cost of the vaccine; however, an administration fee of up to \$26.03 per vaccine dose may be charged to patients. If the individual is unable to pay the administration fee, the vaccine dose will not be denied, and the administration fee will be waived.

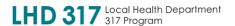




- Current Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) will be offered prior to each vaccination.
 Vaccine administration records will be maintained in accordance with the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act (NCVIA), which includes reporting clinically significant adverse events to the <u>Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)</u> (vaers.hhs.gov).
- 6. Immunization of patients will be documented in CAIR. Immunization of 317-eligible patients will be documented in or submitted through data exchange as "317 Vaccine Eligibility or Vaccine Eligibility Category (HL7) Code V23" doses to the local immunization information system (CAIR or Healthy Futures) and documented in an Electronic Health Record (EHR). The total number of patients immunized with 317 doses and inventory on-hand will be promptly reported to CDPH with each 317- funded vaccine request. Vaccine doses administered as part of CDPH approved outbreak control and prevention activities will be documented, tracked, and reported according to established guidelines.
- 7. Enter all 317 vaccines doses administered in the practice, regardless of patient's age or eligibility status, into CAIR, or an approved Immunization Information system, in accordance with all specified elements of AB 1797. Vaccine administration submission shall include specifics about the vaccine (including manufacturer, lot number, and NDC), funding source, patient's eligibility category by dose, and should occur within the same day of administration, but no later than 14 days, and prior to submission of vaccine orders. Doses administered reported as part of vaccine ordering should match quantities reported to the immunization registry.
- 8. The patient's written 317 eligibility status and all records related to immunization of adults with 317-funded vaccines will be retained for three (3) years. If requested, these records will be made available to CDPH. Records include, but are not limited to, vaccine administration documentation, billing records, medical records that verify receipt of vaccine, and vaccine temperature log records. Release of such records will be bound by federal and state privacy laws.
- 9. Standards for vaccine management outlined in the <u>VFA/LHD 317 Programs Provider</u> <u>Agreement Addendum (PDF)</u> will be followed, including: (a) vaccine ordering and maintaining appropriate vaccine inventories; (b) storing vaccine under proper storage conditions at all times; (c) monitoring and documenting vaccine storage unit temperatures on temperature logs; (d) returning all spoiled/expired 317-funded vaccines to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) centralized vaccine distributor within six months of spoilage/expiration.
 - Refrigerator and freezer vaccine storage units and temperature monitoring equipment must meet CDPH LHD 317 Program storage and handling requirements.
- 10. Organization will operate within the 317 Vaccine Program guidelines intended to avoid fraud and abuse as defined in the Medicaid regulations at 42 CFR § 455.2, and for the purposes of the 317 Vaccine Program.
- 11. Authorized representatives of the 317 Vaccine Program will be permitted to visit the facility in order to review compliance with policies and procedures. Provider agrees to implement and



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complete corrective actions identified during the visit.

- 12. Vaccine purchased with Section 317 funds that are deemed non-viable due to provider negligence must be replaced on a dose-for-dose basis and/or require corrective actions
- 13.I understand that the CDPH, Immunization Branch or my practice/organization may terminate this agreement at any time. If the agreement is terminated, any unused federal 317-funded vaccines will be properly returned to the California Department of Public Health Local Health Department 317 (LHD 317) Program.

Instructions: To agree to these federal requirements, type your name, your medical license number, today's date, and sign in the boxes below.

By signing this form, I certify on behalf of myself and all immunization providers in this facility, I have read and agree to the requirements listed above for the use of 317-funded vaccines and understand I am accountable (and each listed provider is individually accountable) for compliance with these requirements.	
Medical Director or Equivalent Name (print):	
Medical License Number	
Signature:	Date:
Name (print) Second individual as needed:	
Medical License Number	
Signature:	Date:

