



SUBJECT: End-of-Season VFC Flu Vaccine Ordering Report is Coming Soon!

Dear Dr. VFC Provider,

In the next few days, we will be sending you your practice's End-of-Season VFC Flu Vaccine Ordering Report. We encourage you to share it with your colleagues, including medical assistants, clinicians, and quality improvement (QI) staff. Your *End-of-Season Flu Vaccine Ordering Report* will show how well you met your VFC Flu Vaccine Target for the 2019-2020 season, a calculation based on your ordering history of other routinely-recommended childhood vaccines. This report will indicate the percentage of your target met and subsequent rating (Excellent, Very Good, Good, Needs Improvement). VFC providers who achieved an "Excellent" rating this season will be recognized on EZIZ.org. For your convenience, you can also view your reports in your [MyVFCvaccines](#) account.

If you met your 2019-20 VFC flu vaccine target this year, congratulations! If not, now is the time to implement strategies to help you immunize more patients. There is no vaccine yet for COVID-19, but we can vaccinate against flu. Protecting our patients against flu is more critical now than ever, as we aim to minimize the impact of combating two respiratory illnesses at once.

Preparations for this upcoming season

Start planning now! Regardless of this past season's rating, planning ahead for seasonal influenza vaccination will be especially important during this pandemic. We encourage you to use VFC's [Flu Action Plan: 3 Habits of Highly Successful VFC Clinics](#) to help your clinical team prepare for flu season during the summer. The Flu Action Plan includes many easy "early-start" best practice strategies that your clinic can readily implement to get ready for flu season. Gather your staff, choose at least two strategies, and get started! Ensure everyone in your team is recommending influenza vaccine in the same way they recommend other routine immunizations.

The VFC Program will partner with you throughout flu season

VFC will work with your practice to ensure that you have an adequate supply of VFC flu vaccine for your VFC patient population. **Make sure to read our [VFC communication about initial flu orders](#) sent earlier this month.** Should the doses allocated for your initial flu order fall short of your needs for the beginning of the season, we're here to help! Your practice will have the ability to order flu vaccine throughout the flu season. Together we will save lives!

If you have questions or concerns, please contact the VFC Program at 877-243-8832.

In recognition of all you are doing under extraordinary circumstances, thank you so much for protecting California children. Our VFC team supports you in protecting California's kids against influenza!

Sincerely,

California Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program