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Additional VFC Influenza Vaccine Ordering System Now Available!

Clinics Can Submit Additional Influenza Vaccine Orders

Phase 3 of the California Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program's influenza vaccine order process, "Additional Influenza Vaccine Ordering" is now open. This third phase allows practices who have received their entire initial order to request the remaining doses from what was pre-booked or allocated in order to protect VFC eligible patients against influenza this season.

Flu Vaccine Supply

Most flu vaccine products are available in ample supply through the VFC Program. However, as of today, we have only received a limited amount of Fluzone[®] syringes. Providers who have not received their entire initial order of Fluzone[®] syringes cannot request for additional doses until initial orders are complete. **To request other available flu products, contact the VFC Program at 877-243-8832.**

Flu Vaccine Usage and Inventory Required with Every VFC Order

REQUIRED! Each time you place a VFC vaccine order (flu and/or non-flu VFC vaccine order), you must report VFC flu vaccine doses administered since the last order and the number of doses on-hand by lot number. Flu vaccine usage and inventory must be reported even if you do not plan on requesting additional influenza vaccine doses.

Season Target

As in the past year, VFC has provided each practice with influenza vaccine season targets for the 2020-2021 influenza season. Continue flu vaccine ordering from your clinic's remaining supply balances throughout the 2020-2021 season in order to reach your season target. The season target is our estimate of the number of flu vaccine doses your practice needs to immunize and protect your VFC-eligible patients. It is based on the number of VFC-eligible patients your practice immunized against routine pediatric vaccines during the past year.

Flu Shipments

Ensure that you can store all of the doses you request, as flu orders are shipped in full and cannot be canceled once sent for fulfillment. An e-mail notification is sent to the practice's Vaccine Coordinator and Back-Up Coordinator upon processing of the order.

To ensure successful delivery, confirm the shipping days and hours listed on your [MyVFCVaccines](#) account are up to date. If your clinic will be closed due to COVID-19 for an indefinite amount of time, please review and complete the [Temporary Clinic Closure form](#) with your Provider of Record to inform us of this change.

Thank you,

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