

Immunization Branch

Update on COVID-19 Vaccination for Adolescents

Western States Scientific Review Workgroup Statement

See the <u>Western States Scientific Review Workgroup statement</u> regarding Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccination for those 12-15 years of age:

"The Western States Scientific Safety Review Workgroup, after a thorough review of the evidence from the clinical trial of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine for those 12-15 years of age, concludes the vaccine is safe and effective in this age group and supports its use. Expanding COVID-19 vaccination to anyone 12 years of age and above will both protect those who are vaccinated and contribute to control of the COVID-19 pandemic in our states."

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) Statement and Resource

A new <u>AAP Policy Statement</u> recommends vaccination for eligible children ages 12 and up with the federally authorized COVID-19 vaccine. The statement supports co-administration of COVID-19 vaccine with routine immunizations in order to catch children up on any missed vaccine. See related <u>AAP press</u> release and HealthyChildren.org article for parents.

Resources

Webinar - Providers of Pediatric Services: How to Enroll in the California COVID-19 Vaccination Program

The <u>archived presentation</u> and <u>slides</u> from this week's presentation by CDPH are available on EZIZ.org/COVID, the website for the California COVID-19

Vaccination Program. Please see below for additional resources for Providers of Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine.

New Enrollment

• Steps to Enrollment for Providers of Pediatric Services, Individual Practitioners and Small Practices Not Contracted by the TPA

Job aids including step by step instructions for registering in myCAvax:

- <u>Before You Enroll</u> (sets expectations)
- Provider Enrollment Worksheet (gather required data before logging in)
- Enrolling Provider Organizations (walks you through Section A)
- Enrolling Provider Locations (walks you through Section B)
- Enrolling Community Health Centers (HRSA)
- Provider Enrollment: Next Steps (post approval)
- Readiness Checklist: Quick Start Guide (post approval)

Pfizer Interactive Lesson

Vaccinators and key practice staff can ramp up on Pfizer vaccine by taking CDC's What Healthcare Professionals Need to Know. This comprehensive lesson covers the specifics of receiving, storing, preparing, and administering Pfizer vaccine. Also includes Controlant temperature monitoring and clinical considerations including managing anaphylaxis.

EUA Fact Sheets

Providers must provide an approved Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) fact sheet to each vaccine recipient or accompanying caregiver. Fact sheets for HCPs and recipients and caregivers can be found in multiple languages on Pfizer's EUA website, or the FDA's website.

COCA Call: What Clinicians Need to Know about Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccination of Adolescents

This COCA Call will give clinicians an overview of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccination in adolescents who are 12-to-15 years of age. Clinicians will learn about the safety and efficacy of the vaccine, vaccine recommendations, and clinical guidance for using the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine in adolescents in this age group. See here for more information about the call. Registration is not Required

If you are unable to attend the live COCA Call, the recording will be available for viewing on the COCA Call webpage a few hours after the live event ends.

Date: Friday, May 14, 2021

Time: 11:00 AM-12:00 PM PDT

• A few minutes before the webinar starts, please click here to join.

CDC Resources

Many job aids are available at CDC's <u>Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19</u> <u>Vaccine</u> webpage, some of which are still being updated for the expansion of the EUA for 12- to 15-year-olds:

- Vaccine Preparation and Administration Summary
- Vaccine Preparation Infographic
- Prescreening Forms in Multiple Languages
- Storage and Handling Summary
- Delivery Checklist
- Dry Ice Safety for Healthcare Professionals
- Beyond-Use Date (BUD) Tracking Labels (for freezer or refrigerator storage)

EZIZ Resources

- Vaccine Administration
- Vaccine Management
- Reporting Requirements
- Receiving & Storing Pfizer Vaccine
- <u>Low Dead Volume (LDV) Syringes and/or Needles</u> (maximize number of doses withdrawn)
- Local Reactions, Systemic Reactions, Adverse Events, and Serious Adverse Events: Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine