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2023-2024 VFC Flu Vaccine Progress Report

Dear VFC Provider,

As communicated in the [December 15, 2023 VFC Update](#), your October VFC Flu Vaccine Progress Report is now available when you log in to your [MyVFCvaccines](#) account. More details about this season's Progress Reports are listed below.

A. Your 2023 custom VFC Fall Flu Progress Report has some important changes!

✓ **New CAIR data!**

As was shared during the CDPH's [September 14 TEACH webinar](#), the 2023 VFC Flu Report has been enhanced to include **flu vaccine administration data from CAIR**. While the 2023-24 flu season reports will continue to use flu vaccine ordering data to calculate your clinic's flu vaccine "target," the VFC Program may utilize flu vaccine administration data in future flu seasons. VFC encourages your clinic to take this season as an opportunity to evaluate how close or disparate your data are when comparing VFC flu doses ordered and administered.

There are steps your team can take to improve data quality. **Please review the report with your team, practical data checks are offered below in this letter under C.**

✓ **New way to access your fall 2023 customized VFC Flu Progress Report**

Please note that your customized VFC Flu Progress Report is available **only** by going to your account at <https://eziz.org/myvfcvaccines/> Your *Flu Vaccine Progress Report* will show progress toward your VFC Flu Vaccine Target as of **October 23, 2023**.

B. Check the report with your team using Steps 1, 2, 3!

California state law ([AB1797](#)) requires all providers to report vaccinations to the immunization registry the same day of administration but no later than 14 days. Future flu targets are anticipated to be based on flu doses reported to CAIR. Evaluate any discrepancy between VFC flu doses administered in CAIR and flu doses in [MyVFCVaccines](#). A difference likely indicates that some doses are not being entered into CAIR. We urge you to take the following actions:

- 1. Check your CAIR ID on this report.** If your CAIR ID is not the one listed above, please edit your CAIR ID on your account at [myVFCvaccines.org](#). Each clinic site must have its own unique CAIR ID.
- 2. Ensure that your EHR is able to capture VFC eligibility.** You will need to use this when assessing VFC flu doses.

3. Compare your VFC flu doses ordered to your VFC flu doses administered. In CAIR, set the date parameter to start the flu season on August 1 and end Oct 30 (to match this Flu Report). How close is your flu doses administered to your VFC flu order target? Are the VFC flu vaccines ordered being administered to your VFC patients?

C. How can you improve towards your clinic's flu target?

It's not too late! Make incremental, achievable steps for success:

- If there is a discrepancy between CAIR and MyVFCVaccines data, determine which VFC flu doses have not been submitted to CAIR.
- Implement the [Flu Action Plan: 3 Habits of Highly Successful VFC Providers](#) Select 2-3 strategies.
- Please share [CDPH flu materials](#) with your patients.
- Review [Tips for Talking with Parents about Flu Vaccine](#)
- Review [Flu and COVID-19 co-administration tips.](#)
- Watch the CDC's [2023 webinar on influenza updates for pediatric patients.](#) Your End-Of-Season Flu Report in July 2024 will include a rating of your ordering performance (as shown on scale above).

TIP: Please share this report with your clinic's flu ordering decision-maker BEFORE completing your flu vaccine prebook in January 2024 for the 2024-25 flu season. Make sure to prebook enough flu vaccine to meet your goal!

D. Track your progress towards your VFC Flu order target.

As a refresher, your “*VFC Flu Vaccine Target*” is our estimate of the number of flu vaccine doses your practice needs to immunize and protect your VFC-eligible patients. Your order target is based on the number of VFC-eligible patients your practice immunized with all other routine pediatric vaccines during the past year, as reported on your VFC vaccine orders.

If you are close to reaching your VFC flu vaccine target, congratulations! If not, there is still plenty of time to implement key strategies into your VFC [flu action plan](#). *According to our 2023 End-of-Season survey, **83% of your peers used Flu Action Plan strategies.***

We are confident that taking even small steps today will result in vast improvement tomorrow. Our VFC team supports you in protecting California’s kids against influenza! We thank you for the many extra efforts you and your team are making to protect your patients and staff.

Thank you,



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