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COVID-19 Vaccine Availability in the VFC Program Coming Soon!

Dear VFC Provider,

In anticipation of the Federal Drug Administration (FDA) authorization of new COVID-19 vaccines and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice's (ACIP) meeting the week of September 11, the California VFC Program is getting ready to make COVID-19 vaccines available for VFC ordering. We anticipate making COVID-19 vaccine available for ordering the week of September 11 and will announce this when ready.

Enrolled VFC Providers will be expected to order COVID-19 vaccines for all their VFC-eligible patients. As agreed upon during initial enrollment and recertification, all actively enrolled VFC Providers must "order all ACIP-recommended vaccines (including flu and special-order vaccines) to meet the needs of the total VFC-eligible patient populations reported for the VFC PIN" (Provider Agreement Addendum 8A). Per AB 1797, and signed VFC Provider Agreement, all vaccines administered in the state of California as well as

a patient's race and ethnicity are required to be entered in the [California Immunization Registry](#) or [Healthy Futures/RIDE](#).

ELIGIBILITY

COVID-19 vaccines made available through the VFC Program can only be given [to VFC-eligible patients](#) 18 years of age or younger. Patients with private health insurance must be given privately-purchased vaccines. Uninsured/underinsured adult patients 19 years of age or older can receive COVID-19 vaccines through enrolled [Bridge Access Program \(BAP\)](#) providers.

AVAILABLE PRODUCTS

The following COVID-19 vaccine products will be available for ordering through the VFC Program for [eligible patients](#) 6 months through 18 years of age.

Vaccine Group	Vaccine Name	NDC
COVID (6 months - 4 years)	Comirnaty (Pfizer) 3 Dose Vial – 30 doses/10 Vials Per Box	59267-4315-02
COVID (6 months - 11 years)	Spikevax (Moderna) Single Dose Vials - 10 Per Box	80777-0287-92
COVID (5 years - 11 years)	Comirnaty (Pfizer) Single Dose Vials - 10 Per Box	59267-4331-02
COVID	Comirnaty (Pfizer) Single Dose Vials - 10 Per Box	00069-2362-10

(12 years - 18 years)	Novavax 5 Dose Vial – 10 doses/2 Vials Per Box	80631-0105-02
	Spikevax (Moderna) Single Dose Vials - 10 Per Box	80777-0102-95

COVID-19 VACCINE BRAND PREFERENCE

The California VFC Program offers a choice of vaccine brands and presentations, and selection is at the discretion of providers. However, to minimize confusion on vaccine administration, storage, and handling, VFC providers should select one brand/manufacturer for their COVID-19 vaccine ordering across the different age groups, with the exception of ordering Novavax vaccine in addition to an mRNA vaccine (Pfizer, Moderna). Providers who would like to order a non-mRNA vaccine (Novavax) in addition to another COVID-19 vaccine brand (Pfizer or Moderna) may do so.

VFC ORDER FORM

VFC providers will order COVID-19 vaccine using the same order process they do for all other routine vaccines on the VFC order form of your [MyVFCVaccines](#) account. VFC Providers do not need to enroll in myCAvax. You can submit a supplemental order for COVID-19 vaccine even if it is not yet time for your routine order. However, if it has been more than 30 days since your last routine VFC vaccine order, report your on-hand inventory for all other VFC vaccines to avoid accountability errors.

REPORTING WASTED, SPOILED, EXPIRED VACCINE

Just like with all other routine VFC vaccines, VFC providers will be required to account for all COVID-19 vaccine doses ordered on their [MyVFCVaccines](#) account, including reporting on-hand inventory, and doses administered. Unlike the previous US Government COVID-19 Vaccine Program, wasted, spoiled, and expired COVID-19 doses must be reported to VFC.

For your first VFC COVID-19 vaccine request, your practice will not be expected to list prior formulations of COVID-19 vaccine as part of your VFC on-hand inventory since previous COVID-19 vaccines are expected to be deauthorized at the same time that the new formulations are authorized. Once deauthorized, prior COVID-19 vaccine formulations should be wasted following local regulations and practice protocols for the disposal of regulated medical waste.

For more information about COVID-19 vaccine commercialization:

- [Commercialization FAQs](#)
- [Commercialization at a Glance: Provider Transition Guide](#)

Thank you,



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