

Vaccines for Children Program

October 11, 2023

October VFC Updates

PREVENT SEVERE RSV DISEASE IN YOUNG CHILDREN

Nirsevimab (Beyfortus) Is Now Available for Ordering from the VFC Program

Nirsevimab (Beyfortus[™]) is now available to order from the VFC Program to prevent severe respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) disease in VFC-eligible infants and toddlers. VFC providers may order nirsevimab monthly. Please read the clinical letter sent on 10/11/2023 for more details such as recommendations for use of nirsevimab and how to order.

COVID-19 VACCINE UPDATES

Novavax Now Available for VFC Ordering

Novavax is now available for ordering from the VFC Program. CDC's <u>Interim Clinical Considerations</u> <u>for the Use of COVID-19 Vaccines</u> was updated to include Novavax information.

Novavax Resources

- COVID-19 Vaccine Product Guide
- COVID-19 Timing Guide | Spanish

Order COVID-19 Vaccines Monthly

If you have not yet ordered COVID-19 vaccines, order now to ensure that your patients are protected with the updated COVID-19 vaccines. You can order COVID-19 vaccines monthly, regardless of your routine order designation. This allows for smaller but more frequent orders, but you may need to report your full VFC vaccine inventory if your last order was more than 30 days ago. Order enough COVID-19 vaccine that can be used within the monthly order timeframe, but keep in mind that vaccine requests may be reduced based on available supply allocations from CDC. For more information, please refer to the VFC COVID-19 clinical letter that was sent on September 29, 2023.

COVID-19 Vaccine Waste

Just like with all other routine VFC vaccines, VFC providers are required to account for all COVID-19 vaccine doses ordered on their MyVFCVaccines account, including reporting on-hand inventory, doses administered, wasted, spoiled, and expired vaccines.

VFC Providers that report in the wrong system (myCAvax) should contact the Provider Call Center at ProviderCallCenter@cdph.ca.gov or call (833) 502-1245 for guidance on removing or updating the incorrect report. For assistance on how to report VFC waste in myVFCvaccines, contact the VFC Call Center at myvfcvaccines@cdph.ca.gov or call (877) 243-8832.

CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER CLOSURES

The VFC Customer Service Center will be closed on the following days/times:

- Friday, November 10, 2023 (Veterans Day Holiday Observed)
- Thursday, November 23 Friday, November 24 (Thanksgiving Holiday)

Orders will continue to be received throughout these closures. Normal business hours will resume on the business days/times following each event listed above. Please ensure that your practice has an adequate supply of VFC vaccines in stock to prevent running out of inventory during these closures.

Thank you,



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