

# **IMPORTANT MESSAGE**

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# **VFC Program Updates**

### **Vaccine Supply**

#### Combination Vaccine

GSK's Kinrix (DTaP/IPV) single dose syringes are currently unavailable for ordering. It is tentatively expected to be available again in October. Kinrix single dose vials are still available for ordering.

GSK's Infanrix (DTaP) single dose syringes are currently unavailable for ordering. It is tentatively expected to be available again in November. Infanrix single dose vials are still available for ordering.

#### 2014-2015 Influenza Vaccine

The California Vaccines for Children Program has received an initial supply of influenza vaccines at VFC's national vaccine distributor. VFC will begin to process all confirmed provider orders for the flu products as listed below. Vaccine shipments can be expected to begin arriving towards the end of the week of <u>September 8, 2014.</u>

It is expected that multiple subsequent shipments will be received over the next few months to complete the state's vaccine supply prebooked for the 2014-2015 influenza season. Subsequent shipments for the remaining order balance for these products will be automatically processed and shipped as additional vaccine doses become available.

Product	VFC Age Group	Supply
Fluzone® Quadrivalent P-Free Pediatric Formulation 0.25mL single dose syringes Sanofi Pasteur	6-35 months	Not available for shipment yet.
Fluzone® Quadrivalent Multi-Dose Vial 10 dose vials (5mL) Sanofi Pasteur	3-18 years	Not available for shipment yet.
Fluarix® Quadrivalent Preservative Free Formulation 10 pack - 1 dose syringes (0.5mL) GSK	3-18 years	Orders of 100 doses or less will be shipped in full. For orders over 100 doses, 30% of confirmed doses will be shipped.
FluMist™ Quadrivalent Nasal Sprayer 10 pack-1 dose Intranasal Spray, MedImmune	Healthy 2-18 years	Orders of 100 doses or less will be shipped in full. For orders over 100 doses, 25% of confirmed doses will be shipped.

- Update your shipping hours to ensure that your flu shipment can be delivered to your practice. To view and update your practice's shipping hours, log-in to your MyVFCVaccines account on eziz.org and then click the "Update Practice Information" link.
- IMPORTANT: If your practice will be on vacation and will not be able to receive vaccine shipments, please contact the VFC Customer Service line at 1-877-243-8832.

Providers not able to confirm orders by the order confirmation deadline, or those wishing to receive additional doses, will still have the opportunity to submit a supplemental vaccine request, once Supplemental Flu Ordering is opened up to all providers later in the flu season. VFC will inform you once this occurs.

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** The VFC Program Customer Service Center will be closed on September 9-10, 2014 for staff meetings. Orders will continue to be received during these call center closures. Normal business hours will be resumed on September 11, 2014.