

## VDH Requirement

Effective January 1, 2017, all VVFC providers will be required to share vaccines administered

information into the Virginia Immunization Information System (VIIS) for both public and private stock, within 30 days of administration. The entry of historical data will not be a requirement, but will be strongly recommended as a strategy to obtain accurate coverage rates. Failure to comply will result in your VVFC vaccine order being withheld. Providers who do not use VIIS should contact their VIIS consultant or Monalisa Mbaiti, Monalisa.mbaiti@vdh.virginia.gov to begin/ expedite the on-boarding process.

## Holiday Preparations

Vaccine shipments from McKesson will be HELD the week of Thanksgiving, and December 22<sup>nd</sup> through January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The Order Center will not enter direct-ship orders to avoid deliveries from Merck during these time periods. However a few direct-shipments might arrive from Merck since they cannot be HELD as done with refrigerated vaccines shipped by McKesson. Providers should indicate any changes to routine hours on the order form and should order vaccine mindful of their Holiday closures.

## Flu Vaccine for 2016-17

All injectable flu vaccine presentations are available, and are being shipped to providers. Please notify the Order Center if your office is in need of additional doses. CDC has confirmed that the influenza Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) will remain the same for the 2016–2017 influenza season. Healthcare providers do not need to wait for new publications of influenza VISs as they have in previous years. Current VISs can be found on CDC's website at

[www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html)

Storage labels for flu vaccines can be found here:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/guide/vaccine-storage-labels-flu.pdf>

## Serogroup B Meningococcal Vaccine

MenB vaccine should either be administered as a 3-dose series of MenB-FHbp (Trumenba) or a 2-dose series of MenB-4C (Bexsero). Both Trumenba and Bexero brands are available through VVFC. The two MenB vaccines are not interchangeable; the same vaccine product must be used for all doses. Additional MenB guidance can be found here:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6441a3.htm>

## Storage Labels

The following labels are examples that may be used to help organize vaccines. Labels are based on recommendations from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and may include indications different from those of the Food and Drug Administration.

Note: Some vaccine preparations are being transitioned from vials and prefilled syringes that contain latex (natural rubber) to vials and prefilled syringes that are not made with natural rubber latex. Read the package insert that accompanies the product to check for the presence of natural rubber or latex.

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/guide/vaccine-storage-labels.pdf>

## Hiberix

Hiberix is a vaccine indicated for active immunization for the prevention of invasive disease caused by Haemophilus influenzae type b. Hiberix is approved for use in children 6 weeks through 4 years of age (prior to fifth birthday), and is now available through VVFC.

## Vaccine Supply Update

To expedite vaccine orders, substitutions may be made for Recombivax and Vaqta presentations. Brands will not be substituted without provider approval.

## Clinic Resources

The Fridge-tag data logger guide is a one page guide to post on the storage by the data logger display.

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/content/uploads/sites/11/2016/04/ProceduresMonitoringTempsFridgeTag2.pdf>

The Routine Vaccine Management Plan Template has been updated to include the new refrigerator temperature range.

<http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/immunization/vvfc/forms/>

Please find Resources on Proper Vaccine Storage and Handling here:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/index.html>

The "Parents Guide to Childhood Immunizations" helps parents and caregivers learn about the role vaccines play in helping keep children healthy. The color booklet includes a glossary and list of resources and is illustrated with children's artwork.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/parents/tools/parents-guide/index.html>

The You Call the Shots Varicella module is now available.

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html>

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