

**Vaccine Use Guidelines for Public Hospitals
(Vaccine supplied by the Division of Immunization – “free” vaccine)
Effective October 1, 2012**

Virginia Vaccines for Children (VVFC) eligible clients

VVFC eligible clients (see below) should receive ALL ACIP recommended vaccines using “free” vaccine. VVFC eligible children are those under the age of 19 who meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Enrolled in Medicaid, including Medicaid HMOs
- Have no health insurance
- American Indian or Alaskan Native

Uninsured or Underinsured Clients (any age)

Uninsured and underinsured clients should receive ALL ACIP recommended vaccines using “free” vaccine according to the current Recommended Immunization Schedules (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/index.html>).

Underinsured is defined as: A person who has commercial (private) health insurance, but the coverage does not include vaccines; a person whose insurance covers only selected vaccines (eligible for non-covered vaccines only); or a person whose insurance caps vaccine coverage at a certain amount. Once that coverage amount is reached, the person is categorized as underinsured.