



Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program

PROGRAM UPDATES

December 2011/January 2012

- **Vaccine Availability**
 - ♦ **RotaTeq 25-pack:** RotaTeq is now available in a 25-dose pack as well as the standard 10-dose pack. The VFC Program will have both options available to providers.
 - ♦ **Hiberix:** Hiberix will only be available to VFC Program providers in limited amounts. As this vaccine is only to be used as the fourth dose in the HIB vaccine series, providers should not have large inventories on-hand. VFC Program providers can use ActHIB or PedvaxHIB for all doses in the series, as well as Pentacel or Comvax for the first three doses.
- **2012 Reenrollment:** The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) requires that all VFC Program providers submit an annual reenrollment form. The VFC Program is notifying providers when the reenrollment is due based upon providers' ordering schedule. Additional guidance will be included in the notification.
 - ♦ Providers **must** complete the newly-revised *Florida Vaccines for Children Program Provider Reenrollment Form*.
 - ♦ Every section of the form must be completed to meet this requirement.
 - ♦ An additional reenrollment must be submitted to the VFC Program when the provider (the "enrollee") who signs the agreement has changed.
 - ♦ The reenrollment form can be completed online at: http://www.ImmunizeFlorida.org/vfc/provider_recertification_form.htm or a PDF of the form can be found at: http://www.ImmunizeFlorida.org/vfc/provider_manual/recertification_form.pdf.
- **Notify the VFC Program:** The VFC Program must be notified in writing when the provider makes any of the following changes:
 - ♦ Delivery hours change—Notification on the *Vaccine Report Form* is acceptable.
 - ♦ Address changes—Must be on the provider's letterhead.
 - ♦ Name of the practice changes—Must be on the provider's letterhead.
 - ♦ Immunization providers, other than the enrollee, change—Must be on the provider's letterhead.
- **2011-2012 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine:** 2011-2012 seasonal influenza vaccine is still available. Use the *Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Influenza Vaccine Order Form 2011-2012 Season*. Updated order forms are found in the VFC Program Blast Fax archive (http://www.ImmunizeFlorida.org/vfc/blast_fax.htm).
- **FluMist Replacement Reminder:** MedImmune is again running their FluMist Replacement Program for FluMist purchased through the CDC contract (VFC Program vaccine) for the 2011-2012 influenza season. For full details about the program, see the VFC Program blast fax (http://www.ImmunizeFlorida.org/vfc/blast_fax/Reminder-FluMis-Replacement-Program-12-16-11.pdf) or the program letter from MedImmune (<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/downloads/med-fm-rrf-instruct-508.pdf>).
- **VFC Contact Information:**
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