



## PA VFC PROVIDER

Pennsylvania Department of Health,  
Bureau of Communicable Diseases, Division of Immunizations

**November 6, 2015**

### VFC Holiday Shipping Schedule 2015

#### **November 2015 Shipping:**

**McKesson will not ship vaccine** November 10, 11, and 24 through November 30, 2015.

McKesson will resume shipping December 1, 2015

#### **December 2015 Shipping:**

**McKesson will not ship vaccine** December 21 through January 1, 2016

McKesson will resume shipping January 4, 2016

### Stopping the Flu Starts with YOU

The Department of Health (DOH) today launched the “Stopping the Flu Starts with YOU” campaign, which urges Pennsylvanians to protect themselves and their loved ones against the seasonal flu by getting vaccinated and taking other preventive measures. Click on the link below to find a flu vaccine clinic being held in Pennsylvania <http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Diseases%20and%20Conditions/I-L/Pages/InfluenzaVaccineFinder.aspx#.VjkaMHco6po>. VFC and 317 eligibility screening will occur at these DOH sponsored flu vaccine clinics.



For additional information from non-DOH websites please access:

[www.flu.gov](http://www.flu.gov)

<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/consumer/prevention.htm>

<http://www.flu.gov/prevention-vaccination/vaccination/index.html>

## **Vaccine Return ID**

The **Vaccine Return ID number** must be recorded on the Vaccine Return and Accountability Form every time a request to return vaccine is submitted.

1. Once the Vaccine Return and Accountability Form is received by the VFC Program staff; we will call, fax, or e-mail the Vaccine Return ID information to the VFC facility contact. You **must** include a copy of the completed Vaccine Return and Accountability Form in each box with the non-viable vaccines being returned to McKesson. The Vaccine Return ID number must be included on this form. **The Vaccine Return ID number will be different every time a request to return vaccines is submitted.**
2. **DO NOT** return any vaccines **not** included on the original Vaccine Return and Accountability Form. A separate request must be submitted for additional returns which will create a new vaccine return ID.

For additional information please see the “PA VFC Handbook Section 6F-Vaccine Return Accountability Form” at [http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Immunizations/Vaccines-for-Children/Documents/Section\\_6\\_F\\_Vaccine\\_Return\\_Account\\_Form\\_2015.pdf](http://www.health.pa.gov/My%20Health/Immunizations/Vaccines-for-Children/Documents/Section_6_F_Vaccine_Return_Account_Form_2015.pdf)

## **Question of the Month?**

**Question:** Are children who are enrolled in the State's Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP) eligible for VFC vaccines?

**Answer:** In Pennsylvania CHIP eligible children are considered insured and do not qualify for VFC vaccine.