

PROVIDER UPDATE

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VFC Flu Vaccine Ordering 2014-2015

The Pennsylvania Vaccines for Children (PA VFC) Program has ordered influenza vaccine in preparation for the 2014-2015 Influenza Season. Below are the flu presentations that will be available for ordering during the 2014-2015 Influenza Season. All presentations are quadrivalent EXCEPT for Novartis – Fluvirin. Pre-filled syringe presentation will be offered for 6 to 35 months (Sanofi) and 36 months and over (GSK). **Instructions on how to order flu vaccine will be mailed out during the month of June 2014** and distribution of the influenza vaccine is projected to begin during the months of September or October. Please contact the Division of Immunizations at 888-646-6864 if you have questions.

Manufacturers	Brand	Age Coverage	Description
Sanofi	Fluzone	6 mth & over	10 dose - <i>Quadrivalent</i> Multi-dose vial –0.5mL NDC # 49281-0621-15
Sanofi	Fluzone	6 mth - 35 mth	10 Pre-filled syringes* – 0.25mL <i>Quadrivalent</i> NDC # 49281-0514-25
GSK	Fluarix	36 mth & over	10 Pre-filled syringe* – 0.5mL - <i>Quadrivalent</i> NDC # 58160-0901-52
Novartis	FluVirin	4 yrs. & over	10 dose – <i>Trivalent</i> Multi-dose vial –0.5mL NDC # 66521-0117-10
MedImmune	FluMist	2 yrs. – 18 yrs. Healthy	10 Single dose – Intranasal- <i>Quadrivalent</i> NDC # (pending)

Economic Order Quantity (EOQ)

Every PA VFC provider will be required to place vaccine orders within the two-week order window, (1st through 15th). The two-week order window refers to the 1st through 15th of the month. If your order frequency is monthly, you have the 1st through 15th of the month to place your PA VFC Program-funded vaccine order. If your order frequency is bimonthly or quarterly, we will assign you a specific month to place your order between the 1st through 15th. Offices assigned the order frequency of “As-Is” (very low volume) will be required to order between the 1st through 15th. EOQ calendars will arrive with the 2014 VFC Provider Handbook during the month of May 2014. Please see below the EOQ two-week order window.

2014 EOQ CALENDAR BREAKDOWN

MONTHLY

Monthly = 1st through 15th - of each month

BI-MONTHLY

Bi-Monthly 1 = 1st through 15th - January, March, May, July, September and November

Bi-Monthly 2 = 1st through 15th - February, April, June, August, October and December

QUARTERLY

Quarterly 1 = 1st through 15th - January, April, July and October

Quarterly 2 = 1st through 15th - February, May, August and November

Quarterly 3 = 1st through 15th - March, June, September and December

Your EOQ may be adjusted according to your office needs by contacting the VFC program at (888) 646-6864.

New PA VFC Temperature Logs

PA VFC has revised the temperature logs to accommodate current, minimum, and maximum temperature documentation. Current, minimum, and maximum temperature readings for each unit must be read and documented twice each workday, at the beginning of the day, and a half hour before the end of the workday. Completed temperature logs must be maintained for three years. A hard-copy of the new temperature logs and instructions will appear in Section 6 of the 2014 VFC Provider Handbook due out May 2014. Please contact the Division of Immunizations at 888-646-6864 if you have questions.

Refrigerator Temperature Log

Refrigerator Temperature Log - Fahrenheit Month/Year _____ (Days 1 - 31) VFC PIN: _____
 Facility Name _____
Record CURRENT, MIN, and MAX TEMPERATURES TWICE A DAY. COMPLETE Steps 1-4.

Step 1 Write your initials and the time of day.

Step 2 Read the thermometer display. (See example at bottom right.) Write the temperatures below. Circle all temperatures that are in DANGER. (See zones below.) Then go to Step 3. If ALL temperatures are OK, go to Step 5.

MAINTAIN REFRIGERATOR TEMPERATURES: 35°F to 46°F

Day of Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Time	8:00														
Time	2:30														
Current															
MIN															
MAX															

35° & lower - 20° - 25° - 30° - 35° - 40° - 45° - 50°
 Too cold! Go to Step 1!

35° - 46° - 35° - 36° - 37° - 38° - 39° - 40° - 41° - 42° - 43° - 44° - 45° - 46°
 Good temperature range for VFC. Go to Step 5.

47° & higher - 47° - 48° - 49° - 50° - 51° - 52° - 53° - 54° & higher
 Too warm! Go to Step 1!

Step 3 If temps are in Danger Zone 1 (below 35°F), even for a short time:
 • Put a "No Not use Vaccine" sign on the vaccine.
 • Alert your supervisor immediately.
 • If temps are in Danger Zone over 30 minutes - Call the manufacturers immediately. This completes the incident report. MUST document the Date and Action taken.

If temps are in Danger Zone 2 (above 46°F), even for a short time:
 • Put a "Do Not use Vaccine" sign on the vaccine.
 • Alert your supervisor immediately.
 • If temps are in Danger Zone over 30 minutes - Call the manufacturers immediately. This completes the incident report.

Step 4 Press the MEMORY CLEAR button on the thermometer to clear Step 2. Then log the temperatures.
 If you press the MODE button by mistake, ID and IT will display. Press 8 again to use MIN and MAX.
 For further information, refer to your VFC Provider Handbook, section 6!

At the end of the month, file this log and keep it for 3 years.
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Freezer Temperature Log

Freezer Temperature Log - Fahrenheit Month/Year _____ (Days 1 - 31) VFC PIN: _____
 Facility Name _____
Record CURRENT, MIN, and MAX TEMPERATURES TWICE A DAY. COMPLETE Steps 1-5.

Step 1 Write your initials and the time of day.

Step 2 Read the thermometer display. (See example at bottom right.) Write the temperatures below. Circle all temperatures that are in DANGER. (See zones below.) Then go to Step 3. If ALL temperatures are OK, go to Step 5.

MAINTAIN FREEZER TEMPERATURES: -5°F to 5°F

Day of Month	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Time	8:00														
Time	2:30														
Current															
MIN															
MAX															

-20° & lower - 10° - 15° - 20° - 25° - 30° - 35° - 40° - 45° - 50° - 55° - 60° - 65° - 70°
 Too warm! Go to Step 1!

-5° to 5° - -5° - -4° - -3° - -2° - -1° - 0° - 1° - 2° - 3° - 4° - 5°
 Good temperature range for VFC. Go to Step 5.

6° & higher - 6° - 7° - 8° - 9° - 10° - 11° - 12° - 13° - 14° - 15° - 16° - 17° - 18° & higher
 DANGER ZONE Too warm! Go to Step 1!

Step 3 If temps are in Danger Zone (above 5°F), even for a short time:
 • Put a "Do Not use Vaccine" sign on the vaccine.
 • Alert your supervisor immediately.
 • If temps are in Danger Zone over 30 minutes - Call the manufacturers immediately. This completes the incident report. MUST document the Date and Action taken.

Step 4 Press the MEMORY CLEAR button on the thermometer to clear Step 2. Then log the temperatures.
 If you press the MODE button by mistake, ID and IT will display. Press 8 again to use MIN and MAX.
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At the end of the month, file this log and keep it for 3 years.
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