



## **PROVIDER UPDATE**

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

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### **Adult Vaccines**

Effective **October 1, 2014**, the following Department supplied vaccines are available to order.

Menveo (Meningococcal)  
Vaqta (Hep A )  
Havrix (Hep A)  
Recombivax (Hep B)  
Engerix (Hep B)  
Gardasil (HPV)  
MMR-II (MMR)  
PPV23 (Pnuemococcal)  
Tenvirac (TD)  
Adacel (Tdap)  
Boostrix (Tdap)  
Varivax (Adult Varicella)

The following vaccines will no longer be available until further notice.

Twinrix (HepA/B)  
Cervarix (HPV)  
Menactra (Meningococcal Groups A, C, Y and W-135)  
Zostavax (Zoster)

## **Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit**

The PA VFC Program is pleased to announce that PA VFC facilities will receive via the US Postal Service the CDC publication *Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit (May 2014)*. The toolkit provides best practices based on Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), recommendations of the vaccine manufacturers' product information, and studies conducted by the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST). CDC encourages immunization providers to move toward implementing these best practices because storage and handling errors can result in loss of vaccine effectiveness and significant financial loss.