May 1, 2015

Dear Texas Adult Safety Net Provider,

The Immunization Branch is pleased to announce the expansion of the Adult Safety Net (ASN) Program formulary. Effective Monday, May 4, 2015, the following vaccines will routinely be available for participating ASN providers to order and administer to eligible adults:

1. Meningococcal Conjugate (MCV4) Vaccine (Menveo®, Menactra®)
2. Zoster Vaccine (Zostavax®)
3. Varicella Vaccine (Varivax®)

Please take this opportunity to order these vaccines and incorporate their administration into the routine care of your eligible adult population. Patient eligibility for ASN vaccine includes any adult aged 19 years and older with no health insurance. Adults who have Medicare, Medicaid, or any other private insurance are not eligible for vaccines through the ASN Program.

Completion of the DSHS Adult Eligibility Screening Record (Stock #EF11-12842) is required before administering any ASN vaccine to an uninsured adult. Providers must retain this form for a minimum of five years and make it available upon request from the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) or the Local Health Department (LHD) to ensure program accountability and client eligibility.

Thank you for your continued support of the ASN Program. If you have additional questions, please contact your DSHS Health Service Region (HSR) or LHD. Additionally, you can visit the ASN website at www.dshs.state.tx.us/ASN for the latest ASN Program news, policy updates and resources.

Sincerely,

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