Vaccine Choice Opening May 6

Beginning Monday, May 6, you may update your vaccine choices in Electronic Vaccine Inventory (EVI). In EVI, the "Update Choice" tab will be open at 10 am on May 6 and close at 3 pm on May 17.

If you do not wish to make any changes no action is needed. Vaccine choice will be available again in August 2019.

Flu Vaccine Open-Ordering Ends May 24

The last day to place an order for influenza vaccine for the current 2018-2019 flu season is May 24. If flu vaccine needs to be ordered after this date, please contact your responsible entity.

Some TVFC Vaccines Discontinued (Effective May 1)

Some presentations of Bexsero®, Pneumovax® and Vaqta® will no longer be available for ordering from TVFC.
Annual Report of Immunization Status

Immunization data for the Annual Report of Immunization Status has been submitted by 94% of non-public schools and public-school districts. This data includes students who were up-to-date, delinquent, provisionally enrolled, and/or had an exemption for the required vaccines.

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Back-to-School MSLs

Back to school is just around the corner. Special back-to-school maximum stock levels (MSLs) will be calculated for each vaccine type for the months of June to September. The back-to-school MSL values are based on each providers’ ordering pattern for the vaccine type during the previous years’ back-to-school period. This is different from the monthly MSL updates that consider the providers’ ordering pattern over a period of 12 months. Back-to-school MSLs will only affect Pediatric providers.

The normal MSL is a calculated inventory for each vaccine type to maintain a 75-day inventory and is based on 12 months of administration history. Unit storage capacity must be taken into account when vaccine orders are placed to ensure adequate storage is available for all vaccines.

AAP: No flu vaccine preference for 2019-’20 season

The AAP no longer will express a preference for the flu shot over nasal spray vaccine for children during the 2019-’20 flu season.

The recommendation comes after the Academy reviewed current data on vaccine coverage and effectiveness and flu season characteristics. It also considered the reformulation of the nasal spray vaccine.
TVFC/ASN Digest Reader Survey Report

Thank you so much for taking the time to fill out the reader survey. We have reviewed the responses and summarized them for you in the following article.

CDC to Clinicians: Flu Activity Still Threat

The flu season is likely to last several more weeks with an increasing portion of cases due to influenza A (H3N2), according to a CDC Advisory on the Health Alert Network.

There’s an App for That: Increasing HPV Vaccination Rates

A webinar titled There’s an App for That: Increasing HPV Vaccination Rates is scheduled for May 21 at 3:00 p.m. (ET). Participants will learn the benefits of using the “HPV Same Way Same Day” app as a clinical training tool to increase HPV vaccination rates. This webinar is offered through the National AHEC Organization HPV Immunization Project.

The app allows you to practice techniques to introduce and discuss the vaccine with parents and young patients, including those who may be hesitant to immunize.

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