



June 2, 2017

Re: Recombivax® (Merck) Adult Hepatitis B Vaccine Supply Update

Dear Adult Safety Net (ASN) Provider,

Recently, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) was notified by the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention (CDC) that Merck is not currently distributing its adult Hepatitis B vaccine (Recombivax®; 00006-4995-41, 10-pack of single dose vials and 00006-4094-02, 10-pack of pre-filled syringes) and does not expect to distribute these vaccine presentations through the remainder of 2017.

Fortunately, GSK has a sufficient supply of their adult Hepatitis B vaccine to address the anticipated gap. The available Engerix-B® products are 58160-0821-11, 10-pack of single dose vials and 58160-0821-52, 10-pack of pre-filled syringes.

Effective June 19, all vaccine orders placed in the Electronic Vaccine Inventory (EVI) system for Merck's Recombivax® adult Hepatitis B vaccine will be substituted with the same presentation product of GSK's Engerix-B® adult Hepatitis B vaccine.

Please continue to use your current stock of vaccine, ensuring the soonest to expire is used first.

NOTE: Merck's supply of pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine is not affected.

Thank you for your continued support of the ASN Program. If you have any questions, please contact the appropriate ASN Contact listed below.



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PINS Beginning With	ASN Contact	Phone Number
01	HSR 1	806-783-6412
02, 03	HSR 2/3	817-264-4790
04 or 05 not in Hardin, Jefferson or Orange Counties	HSR 4/5N	903-533-5310
05 in Hardin, Jefferson or Orange Counties, 06	HSR 6/5S	713-767-3410
07	HSR 7	254-778-6744
00, 08	HSR 8	210-949-2067
09	HSR 9	432-571-4137
10	HSR 10	915-834-7924
11	HSR 11	956-421-5552
25	City of Houston	832-393-5188

Sincerely,

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