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RE: 2014 Annual Re-Enrollment Non-Compliance

Dear Texas Vaccines for Children Provider,

As communicated in the January 31, 2014 memorandum, a copy of which is attached, the deadline for submission of the annual re-enrollment application for the Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Program was March 31, 2014. Thanks to the providers who have already submitted the completed re-enrollment form along with the required training. For providers who have not completed the re-enrollment forms as yet, we urge you to do so immediately. **Please note that the 2014 Annual Training must be completed and certificates attached to the re-enrollment form, for each coordinator.**

TVFC providers who have not submitted their annual TVFC re-enrollment form are out of compliance and may result in the immediate suspension of their TVFC vaccine ordering account. TVFC providers who have vaccine ordering accounts that remain out of compliance on May 1, 2014 will be subject to withdrawal from the program and removal of TVFC vaccine from their facility.

Thank you for your continued support of the TVFC Program. For any questions, please contact the appropriate Health Service Region below.

Provider PINS Beginning With	Health Service Region	Phone Number
01	HSR 1	806-783-6416
02	HSR 2	325-795-5660
03	HSR 3	817-264-4793
04 or 05 not in Hardin, Jefferson or Orange Counties	HSR 4/5N	903-533-5310
05 in Hardin, Jefferson or Orange Counties or 06 or 25	HSR 6/5S	713-767-3410
07	HSR 7	254-778-6744
08 or 00	HSR 8	210-949-2067
09	HSR 9	432-571-4132
10	HSR 10	915-834-7924
11	HSR 11	956-421-5552

Sincerely,

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TO: Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Providers

FROM: Saroj Rai, Ph.D. 
Immunization Branch Manager

DATE: January 31, 2014

SUBJECT: Texas Vaccines for Children Program: 2014 Annual Re-Enrollment

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) require that all immunization programs across the nation use the attached Re-Enrollment Form and Provider Profile Form beginning with the 2014 VFC Re-Enrollment. **Please complete and return the attached forms to your Responsible Entity (LHD or HSR) no later than Monday, March 31, 2014.**

Please note the following changes to the TVFC Re-Enrollment form:

- VFC Vaccine Coordinator
 - Primary Vaccine Coordinator must match the Electronic Vaccine Inventory (EVI) Primary Contact
 - The Back-Up Coordinator must be listed
 - 2014 Annual Training must be completed and certificates attached to the re-enrollment form, for each Coordinator
- New/Updated Program Requirements
 - Submit revised provider profile numbers
 - Defines Federally Vaccine-eligible Children and State Vaccine-eligible Children
 - Requirements for vaccine management
 - Defines Fraud and Abuse
 - Participation in site visits, unannounced visits, and education visits
 - Deputized sites requirements for underinsured patients
 - Specialty sites requirements for VFC patients

Section of Great Importance

Provider Profile Form, Provider Population Section (page 8)

Effective October 1, 2013, the CDC changed how providers may order and store VFC-funded vaccines. TVFC began processing orders with vaccine funding splits and separating the number of doses of VFC and non-VFC funded vaccines in each provider order. These splits were based on the historical Provider Profile data TVFC had on file for your clinic. The profile numbers indicate the number of children you serve in each

age cohort. It is imperative that each child be counted only once for immunization services regardless of the number of visits. Accurate counts are critical.

Special attention should be paid to recording of Underinsured children served:

- Children served at a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Rural Health Center (RHC), or Deputized Facility are Federal vaccine eligible and must be counted in the **VFC** Vaccine Eligibility Category.
- Children served at non-FQHC, non-RHC, or non-Deputized facilities are 317 or State vaccine eligible and must be counted in the **Non-VFC** Vaccine Eligibility Category.

Adult Safety Net (ASN) Providers

The ASN program requires annual re-enrollment in conjunction with the VFC re-enrollment process. All ASN providers must complete the ASN Re-Enrollment form in conjunction with the TVFC Re-Enrollment.

Please note that a typewriter-enabled TVFC Re-Enrollment Form and ASN Re-Enrollment Form is available on our website, allowing each clinic site to enter their information, print and have the Medical Director sign the form or forms if enrolled in the ASN.

- TVFC Re-Enrollment <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/forms/6-102.pdf> .
- ASN Re-Enrollment <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/ASN/11-14143.doc>

Please return the completed forms and the 2014 annual training certificates to your Responsible Entity (LHD or HSR) no later than Monday, March 31, 2014.

If you have questions, please contact your DSHS Health Service Region or TVFC Regional Consultant. The Regional Consultant contact information is included below.

Health Service Region	Consultant	Phone	Email
Region 1, 4/5N, 6/5S, and 7	Joshua Hay	(512) 776-6496	Joshua.Hay@dshs.texas.gov
Region 8, 11, 25 (City of Houston), and 00 (City of San Antonio)	Alma Chavez	(956) 421-5554	Alma.Chavez@dshs.texas.gov
Region 2, 3, 9, and 10	Shirley Rocha	(512) 776-3417	Shirley.Rocha@dshs.texas.gov