



July 26, 2017

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

Dear Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) 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 pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine, Recombivax®, a 10-pack of single dose vials, and does not expect to distribute this vaccine presentation through the remainder of 2017.

Fortunately, GSK has a sufficient supply of their pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine to address the anticipated gap. The available GSK Engerix-B® product is a 10-pack of pre-filled syringes.

Effective August 1, all vaccine orders placed in the Electronic Vaccine Inventory (EVI) system for Merck's Recombivax® pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine in single dose vials will be substituted with GSK's Engerix-B® pediatric Hepatitis B vaccine in pre-filled syringes.

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

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



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PINS Beginning With	TVFC Contact	Phone Number
00	City of San Antonio	210-207-3965
01	HSR 1	806-783-6412
02	HSR 2	325-795-5660
03	HSR 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
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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