



April 19, 2017

Re: Pentacel Vaccine Supply

Dear Texas Vaccines for Children Provider,

The Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) Program would like to inform you that Sanofi Pasteur's Pentacel® (Diphtheria and Tetanus Toxoids and Acellular Pertussis Adsorbed, Haemophilus influenzae type b, and Inactivated Poliovirus Vaccine) vaccine is no longer under order restrictions by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Providers are able to order up to 100% of their Pentacel® Maximum Stock Levels (MSL's). Providers must update their vaccine choice selections through the Electronic Vaccine Inventory (EVI) system to ensure that Pentacel® is a selected choice vaccine. The next opportunity to update vaccine choice selections will be in May 2017. A training titled "Updating Vaccine Choice" is available and can be accessed at <http://www.dshs.texas.gov/immunize/choice/default.shtm>.

The Immunization Unit requests that all TVFC providers be strategic when ordering and administering single antigen and combination vaccines. It is extremely important for providers to review their population profiles, current inventories, projected usage, and implementation plan when determining which vaccines to order. Providers are not allowed to order above their suggested order amounts in EVI. All Pentacel® order amounts requested above the suggested quantity listed in EVI will be revised to match the suggested order quantity.

Providers must not transfer existing single antigen vaccines to other TVFC providers in favor of ordering increased amounts of Pentacel®. Providers must continue to use their existing inventory of all products as additional doses of Pentacel® are made available. The Immunization Unit will compare



current stock levels of single antigen vaccines to Pentacel® orders to ensure that doses with shorter expiration dates are used first and are not at risk of expiring.

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

PINS Beginning with	TVFC Contact	Phone Number
00	City of San Antonio	210-207-4015
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,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Nancy Ejuma".

Nancy Ejuma
Immunization Unit Director