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Change in Minimum Intervals for HPV Vaccine

On March 5, 2008 the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) issued a correction to the *Catch-up Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 4 months-18 Years Who Start Late or Who Are More Than 1 Month Behind*. A minimum interval was added between the first and third dose of human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine to ensure that the third dose is separated from the first dose by 24 weeks. The minimum intervals for HPV vaccine are now as follows:

HPV Minimum Intervals

Dose 1 to Dose 2	4 weeks
Dose 2 to Dose 3	12 weeks
Dose 1 to Dose 3	24 weeks

Females who received HPV vaccine prior to March 5, 2008 do not need to repeat the third dose if it was given less than 24 weeks after the first dose.

Updated Vaccine Information Statements

When new Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) are issued, providers are sometimes allowed to deplete their current stock of the previous version. This is the case when the change to the VIS is minor or the change applies only in certain circumstances. The most recent examples of such a change are the updated versions of the MMR and varicella VISs. When giving MMR or varicella vaccine separately, the previously published VISs may still be used until stocks are depleted. However, when giving the combination MMRV vaccine, the new VISs should be used to ensure that newly included information is shared with the patient.

National Immunization Survey Teen Module

The CDC has expanded the National Immunization Survey (NIS) to collect information on vaccinations for adolescents. Vaccine providers, including schools may receive survey forms from the CDC requesting verification of

vaccinations for adolescents you may serve. The OSDH Immunization Service encourages recipients to complete and return these forms so that state adolescent coverage levels can be appropriately determined and monitored.

Change in Location of Vaccine Warehouse

As of April 21st all VFC vaccine is being shipped from Sacramento, California rather than Memphis, Tennessee. McKesson, the national VFC vaccine-shipping contractor, has opened a new warehouse in Sacramento. Most shipments will arrive via United Parcel Service (UPS). However, Federal Express will continue to deliver some shipments. This change should not affect your normal delivery schedule.

Vaccine Orders for the Back-to School Rush

VFC providers should make plans now for the back-to-school rush. Clinics are encouraged to generate a *Doses Administered Report* in OSIS for July and August 2007. This report will provide a baseline for VFC doses administered last summer and help you project what you will need for this summer. Providers may opt to use the OSIS "force order" feature to order extra vaccine for the back-to-school rush or let the Immunization Service increase your order for you. If you want to use "force order," see the table below for the deadline submissions in OSIS.

Shipping Frequency	Deadline Date	To Cover These Months
Quarterly 1	May 12 th	June, July, & August
Bi-monthly 2	June 2 nd	July & August
Quarterly 2	June 9 th	July, August, & Sept.
Monthly	June 23 rd	July & August
Bi-Monthly 1	June 30 th	July & August
Quarterly 3	July 7 th	July, August, & Sept.

If you have any questions, please call your Immunization Field Consultant or your Regional Immunization Coordinator.

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