



**Immunization Program CHILD Profile Update
October 6, 2009
Vaccine Management Update**

This is the vaccine management update for October 6, 2009. Today's update includes: vaccine distribution data for the week of 9/30/09, updates on several vaccines in back-order and expected availability for the near term, a seasonal influenza update, and update on the use of seasonal FluMist, information on which fax to use for what and an introduction to the new staff at Department of Health.

General Vaccine Delivery Update:

- **Shipping data for the week of 9/28/09:** Vaccine shipping data for the week of 9/28/09 was distributed with the original email message. Please contact us for a copy if needed.

Vaccines in Back-order Status – expectations for resolution:

- **Hepatitis A and Tdap orders placed 9/24 – 10/01 are currently on back-order.** We will provide details on the back-orders on 10/09. We have been told that vaccine is expected to arrive at McKesson soon, but we do not have firm dates on its availability. We will provide updates as we get more information.
- **Varicella orders from 9/22 forward are in back-order status.** CDC has informed us that back order for varicella is due to a funding issue at the federal level. CDC is asking that varicella orders be limited to the minimum amount needed from now until the funding issue is resolved. We do not have exact dates, but again, will keep you posted as we get more information. Please monitor provider vaccine inventory closely and limit ordering.
- **Seasonal Childhood Influenza Vaccine Update:** As of 10/06/09, about 220,600 doses of seasonal influenza vaccine have been ordered. This is about 90% of the available vaccine. We have not received an additional allocation of seasonal childhood influenza vaccine. CDC informed us today that sanofi-pasteur is experiencing delays in production and is not projecting completion of the availability of seasonal childhood influenza vaccine by the end of November.
- **Use of FluMist for Pediatric Patients:** State supplied FluMist may be used for children from 2 years of age up to the 19th birthday. This may assist managing the delays in shipment of seasonal childhood influenza vaccine, and also aligns the use of that product with H1N1 FluMist like vaccine, also licensed for ages 2 through 49 years,

Fax Numbers to Use:

- Please fax **all orders** (VFC and H1N1) **to 360-236-3597.**
- Provider Agreements should be faxed to: 360-236-2258. Please fax the provider agreements for clinics you request H1N1 vaccine for, and confirm that they are designated as a direct ship site (DS).



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Welcome New Staff to the Immunization Program CHILD Profile: We are very pleased to announce the new staff who are working with us on all things H1N1!

- Jeni Hansen (Jeniffer.Hansen@doh.wa.gov; Phone: (360) 236-3569)
- Lisa Thomas, (Lisa.Thomas@doh.wa.gov; Phone: (360) 236-3581)
- Merdan Bazarov (Merdan.Bazarov@doh.wa.gov; Phone: (360) 236-3611),
- Michelle Bilhimer, (Michelle.Bilhimer@doh.wa.gov ; Phone: (360) 236-3577)

All four come to the program with extensive customer service backgrounds. They have experience organization and managing data, logistics and participating in various aspects of communication, planning and supporting a variety of programs in public and private sector businesses. Michelle's primary responsibilities will be working with Michele Roberts and our Communication and Health Promotion Team, and backing us up on H1N1 vaccine ordering and management responsibilities. Merdan, Lisa and Jeni will have primary responsibilities for H1N1 vaccine ordering and vaccine management. They will also be pitching in on some communication activities. Their first day was October 1st, and they have already made a difference by digging right in and helping us get over 1000 H1N1 Provider Agreements organized and tracked. Our team is working closely together to assure the H1N1 vaccine program runs smoothly, and as we partner with local health and providers on the H1N1 effort.