

Frequently Asked Questions and Processes for using the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry for Vaccines For Children (VFC) Status Screening

Revised 3/13/09

The topics in this document are for providers and local health jurisdiction (LHJ) staff and are related to using the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry to support VFC status screening activities.

Q: Is using the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry sufficient to document VFC Status or do providers need to keep paper records?

A: Yes, the registry can serve as the patient record, no additional paper documentation is needed.

Q: How does a provider get their child's VFC status data from their Electronic Medical Record (EMR) or billing system to the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry?

A: This is based on the EMR or billing system product being used. Providers should consult with their EMR or billing system vendor about what data fields can be part of the electronic data transfer between the systems, and contact the CHILD Profile Help Desk.

Q: If providers are using electronic data down-loads to populate the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry, but VFC data doesn't download, how can they use the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry to record VFC status?

A: In the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry, the patient demographic screen is edited by selecting the "VFC Status," drop-down menu, clicking on the correct status type and saving the record. Required demographic fields in the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry may need to be updated in order to save the child's record changes. Providers may prefer the convenience of using CHILD Profile to record screening results with a few key strokes instead of using a paper-based screening system

Q: Is race pre-populated on the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry patient demographics screen from electronic data down-loads or birth certificate data?

A: No, providers must manually select a race type from the drop-down menu in the race field.

Q: If a provider selects Native American or Alaska Native in the race field on the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry patient demographics screen, will it automatically populate the VFC Status field on that screen?

A: No. Both fields need to be changed by selecting from the drop down menus.



Frequently Asked Questions and Processes for using the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry for Vaccines For Children (VFC) Status Screening

Revised 3/13/09

Q: How do the VFC status options on the CHILD Profile Immunization Registry patient demographic screen match the VFC status categories?

A: Although there is not a perfect match, the table below provides a crosswalk between paper documentation and the language currently in CHILD Profile Immunization Registry.

CHILD Profile Immunization Registry options for VFC Status on patient demographic screen	Corresponding VFC Status category
--select-- (Default status if none selected)	None
Ineligible (Default status when patient age is >18 years)	None
Medicaid	Medicaid
Uninsured	Uninsured
Nat. Amer. or Alaskan	American Indian or Alaska Native
Underinsured	Underinsured
Private Insurance	Insured