



Alaska Immunization Program

Mumps in Alaska

Alaska continues to experience a mumps outbreak, with 325 confirmed and probable cases as of March 29, 2018. The ongoing mumps outbreak has a weekly surveillance update, resources, and recommendations [here](#). Resources include a [print-friendly poster](#), a [fact sheet](#), [MMR availability](#). Please view the [Alaska Public Health Advisory](#) for updated MMR vaccination recommendation.



Provider Recognition Program

Congratulations to the healthcare facilities that have met the Healthy Alaskans 2020 and the Health People 2020 immunization goals for children aged 19 through 35 months who

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receive the ACIP recommended vaccination series (4DTaP, 3 Polio, 1 MMR, 3 Hib, 3 Hepatitis B, 1 Varicella, 4 PCV).

Healthy Alaskans 2020 (≥75%)

Arctic Slope
Ethel Lund Medical Center
Full Spectrum Pediatrics PC
Joy Janssen Clinic
Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital
Norton Sound Health Corporation
Sheridan Katy MD
Tanana Chiefs Conference
Valley Native PCC

Healthy People 2020 (≥80%)

Adventures in Pediatrics
Anchorage Neighborhood Health
Dena'ina Wellness Center
Homer Medical Center
Jacob Mary Ann MD
Kodiak Area Native Association
Maniilaq Association

Regional Workshops

In March, Alaska Immunization Program staff traveled throughout Alaska offering four-hour regional workshops detailing vaccine eligibility, accountability, and quality assurance measures. If you missed out on the workshops, the presentations are available in [PDF format](#).

Shingrix Update

Shingrix is anticipated to be available for ordering through the Alaska Immunization Program this May. VacTrAK is currently forecasting a second dose of zoster vaccine, which is reflecting the preferential ACIP recommendation for the two-dose Shingrix vaccine. Zoster live vaccine, Zostavax, continues to be a single dose vaccine. Review the herpes zoster vaccine updates from the ACIP and CDC in this [MMWR](#).

Expired Influenza Vaccine

As your current influenza vaccine expires, conduct appropriate inventory management just like any other state-supplied vaccine. Remove it from your refrigerator, reconcile the doses out of your inventory in VacTrAK, process a [return](#) and mail the doses to the Vaccine Depot.

Dose Accountability

The Vaccines for Children (VFC) program provides federal funding for the purchase of vaccines for eligible children ages 0 through 18 years. Adults are never VFC eligible. There are new instructions for what to do if adult doses are incorrectly marked as VFC eligible in VacTrAK. Please ensure you are doing your part to keep correct doses going to the correct patients! More information can be found [here](#).

Shipped Vaccine Order

Once McKesson or Merck has shipped your vaccine order, the order status in VacTrAK will change from "Approved" to "Shipped". Be sure to track your order with the FedEx or UPS tracking number found in VacTrAK so you can be ready to receive it in a timely manner. The lot numbers, expiration dates, and manufacturers will pre-populate within the order once it is shipped, with the exception of Prevnar 13. Carefully type in the vaccine information for Prevnar 13 before receiving in your order. Remember that Pfizer is the manufacturer for Prevnar 13, NOT Wyeth.

Organization (RMS): 504 EPIDEMIO STATE APPROVER (1317)

Receive Order

Organization (RMS): [redacted] First Name: [redacted]
Facility: [redacted] Middle Name: [redacted]
Phone Number: [redacted] Last Name: [redacted]
Phone Extension: [redacted] Address: [redacted]
Email: [redacted] Vitrack's Shipping Instruction: [redacted]
Order Number: [redacted] Order Status: Shipped
VFC PIN: [redacted] Approver: [redacted]
Order Date: 02/02/2018 15:22:44
Submitter: [redacted]
Receiver: [redacted]
Original Order#: [redacted]
Message to Depot: [redacted]

Inventory Transaction Report | Lot Number Summary

Order Set / Order Type: MCKESSON PEDIADU VACCINE 2018 / Distributor

Shipped Quantity	Receipt Quantity	Rejected Quantity	Vaccine	Funding Source	Manufacturer	Lot Number	Expiration Date	
10			MMR	PLUB	MERCK-MSD	N013058	02/04/2019 -select	
Comments:							Tracking #	789702452482
10			pneumococcal polysaccharide PPV23	PLUB	MERCK-MSD	N014946	02/01/2019 -select	
Comments:							Tracking #	789702452482

Adolescent Reminder Recall

Beginning in June, postcards will be sent to 13-14 year olds who are due for HPV, Tdap, or Meningococcal vaccine. In September, the focus will be on 15-16 year olds, and in November, 17-18 year olds. Providers may want to inform their staff and consider maintaining extra vaccine stock based on the teen population seen at their practice.



Are you up to date with the three adolescent vaccines? One can prevent cancer.

Tdap vaccine
One dose protects against tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough).

Human papillomavirus vaccine
Two or three doses, depending on age, prevent many types of cancer.

Meningococcal vaccine
Two doses protect against four types of meningococcal (meningitis) disease. Many universities require this vaccine for admission.

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AFIX

The 2018 AFIX program will begin this spring. The AFIX program is a quality improvement process which involves taking a look at the immunization delivery practices and selecting ways to improve immunization services. CDC requires us to select a certain percentage of VFC providers to participate in the AFIX process. Among those selected to participate in AFIX this year, one winner at random will receive registration for the 2018 Maternal Child Health and Immunization Conference in Anchorage, September 26-28.

Perinatal Hep B

Remember to submit Prenatal Report forms when you identify a pregnant HBV-positive woman. All reporting forms are available online: <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Epi/iz/Pages/hbv/default.aspx>.

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