

What's Happening Wednesday

Kansas Immunization Program



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Chief Chat – We hope everyone had a very happy and safe July 4th holiday. We are truly in the heat of summer now and in the throes of planning for back to school vaccination and influenza seasons. We continue to work with CDC to reallocate our Flu pre-book orders to do our best to meet your needs. We are focused on assuring that we have enough vaccine to fulfill all orders, and we are specifically focused on ensuring that we have enough vaccine that may be used for infants. We have placed our first reallocation request with CDC and have received a request for additional changes to meet the inventory that CDC has available. We have no reason to doubt that this effort will result in a smooth season as this advance work is being completed. We are committed to keeping you informed as we progress and as the season draws closer.

We have heard from some providers that you are receiving denials for vaccine administration cost reimbursement for Medicaid eligible children. We have reached out to Medicaid to discuss this matter and received the following response.

With the transition from ICD-9 to ICD-10, diagnosis code Z23 (encounter for immunization) was mapped with unintended consequences. Currently claims are denying when Z23 is used as the primary diagnosis. KDHE/DHCF is in the process of correcting this mapping issue. In the future, Z23 will be accepted as a primary diagnosis for outpatient claims so please continue to utilize this code when it is the appropriate diagnosis to be used. It will take a considerable amount of time for the MCOs and HPE to update their claim systems, but it will be completed as soon as feasible. Once this system change has been made, impacted claims will be identified and reprocessed for payment. DHCF sincerely regrets the inconvenience this is creating for providers.

We appreciate the effort being put forth to correct this error and ask that all providers continue to bill for the appropriate reimbursement. We understand the delay in payment has been and will be a challenge.

As is expected by CDC, we are implementing a new requirement that all VFC providers must be actively submitting data to WebIZ effective October 1, 2016. As CoCasa is going away in 2017, we must be prepared for use of the new AFIX tools being finalized in WebIZ and must require that all VFC providers are users of WebIZ. Providers may connect via HL7 messaging or may use direct entry. Greater than 85 percent of providers are currently compliant with this new requirement already, so this will not impact most VFC sites. For those who are not yet fully connected, we ask that you assure you are in the onboarding process as soon as possible. You may reach out to the WebIZ Help Desk at 877-296-0464. There are limited funds available to assist those who may need them to complete this work with third party vendors.

April Broxterman, North Central Regional Immunization Nurse Consultant has resigned her position and will be leaving the Kansas Immunization Program on July 13th. Please join us in wishing April the best as she moves on in her career, and thank her for the commitment she has had to the program and the safe vaccination of children in her time here. April's email and phone will no longer be active after July 13th. If you need assistance after that time, please reach out to the nurse on call. This position will be posted very soon and we will alert you via the What's Happening Wednesday when we are recruiting for this position.

Have a great week!

Phil Griffin, Deputy Director, Bureau of Disease Control and Prevention

Adjusted Vaccine Ordering Schedule – July

Due to the 4th Holiday we have extended the order deadlines to the following dates:

For the July ordering period orders will be accepted until **July 11th, 2016**

VFC Question of the Week–

Q: I have received new dataloggers from Sensitech what should I do with the old and new monitors?



A: The following instructions were sent to providers in the box with replacement dataloggers from Sensitech.

To all active VFC Program clinics,

This letter is to inform you that the current monitors you are using are due to expire and need to be replaced with the ones included in this package. Please follow the instructions below for the monitor swap.

1. Stop all monitors that are currently being used immediately upon receipt of this package
2. Download your current monitors into ColdStream. Do not reconfigure these monitors
3. Dispose of your current monitors. Do not send back to Sensitech
4. Start up your two new monitors and place them in the fridge and freezer
5. If you only needed a refrigerator monitor, please notify Collin Weingarten. You do not need to send the freezer monitor back to Sensitech
6. If the Kansas Immunization Program has provided you with more than 2 monitors at no cost please notify Collin Weingarten
7. If you wish to purchase additional monitors for \$100 please contact Cathy Lockett at clockett@sensitech.com

In addition to the monitor swap we wanted to provide you with some additional reminders:

- If you have any issues with your monitors or ColdStream please contact our Technical Services department at support@sensitech.com. Please do not contact the Project Manager (Collin Weingarten) regarding technical issues. The Project Manager is only able to provide trainings to use ColdStream.
- Do not set your freezer below -20c. Our monitors can only handle certain temperatures. If they get too cold they will stop functioning and will require us to replace them.
- Before you download, leave your monitors out of the fridge and freezer in a dry place for 15 minutes before you plug them in. The monitors should be stopped prior to this. If there is humidity within the monitor when you plug it in, it will cause the monitor to break and will require us to replace them.

For any questions regarding these updates please contact Collin Weingarten at cweingarten@sensitech.com or 978-720-2685. Thank you very much for your continued participation in the Sensitech – Kansas VFC Monitoring

DID YOU KNOW

Routine Vaccine Storage and Handling Plans must include the following components:

- * Name of current Primary and Backup vaccine coordinators

Procedures:

- * Temperature monitoring equipment
- * Vaccine ordering and receiving
- * Inventory control to prevent waste

Documentation:

- * Staff who received Storage and Handling training on each component
- * Review Date within past 12 months or when there are plan changes
- * Signature of individual responsible for the accuracy of the content of plan.

Emergency Response Plan must include guidance on what to do in the event of:

- * Refrigerator or Freezer malfunction
 - * Power failure to the units
- * Natural disasters that might compromise vaccine

The plan must include policies and procedures to ensure that the cold chain is not broken during transporting and storing vaccine in the emergency storage location.

If you have any questions about developing a routine storage and handling plan contact your regional nurse. Please click [here](#) if you need a Vaccine Storage and Handling Plan template.

KSWebIZ Trainings



Aggregate Inventory Training—Mondays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 10:30 a.m.

The Aggregate Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 10:30 -11:30 a.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ for Aggregate Users. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Aggregate Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/6598705111102500354>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Direct Entry Inventory Training— Tuesdays at 1 p.m., First Friday at 12 p.m.

The Direct Entry Inventory Training occurs the first Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This call will go over the basics of the On Hand, Reconciliation (MIR submission) and Vaccine Ordering windows in KSWebIZ. Bring questions and examples of issues that your clinic is having with the end of the month reporting. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Entry Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/4121654947304535298>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

New User Training— Thursdays at 2 p.m., Second Friday at 12 p.m.

The New User Training occurs the second Friday of every month from 12 -1 p.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training on how to use KSWebIZ. We will be going over log-in, adding history, administering vaccinations, printing consents and pink cards. If you are a new user, have a new token, or recently had a token transferred to you please take the time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/1572841858584797442>

School Module Training- Third Friday at 12 p.m.

The School Module Training occurs the third Friday of every month from 9 - 10 a.m. This basic training is for new KSWebIZ school module users, or people who would like a simplified refresher training. **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ School Module Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar. <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/8422671756415350273>

Register now for the date that works best for you!

Reports Training- Fourth Friday at 12 p.m.

The Reports Training occurs the fourth Friday of every month from 12 - 1 p.m. This training is for KSWebIZ users who are wanting to learn more about the KSWebIZ Reports. We will be going over the various reporting sections and how to generate reports within these sections. We hope you have time to sit in on this training! **Please note:** this call is for KSWebIZ Direct Users Only! After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

Register now for the date that works best for you! <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/rt/568840407867357186>

NOTE: There have been additional trainings scheduled during the week for New User Training, Direct Inventory Training and Aggregate Inventory Training. The new times can be found above and when you register and select a specific training time. If these times do not work with your schedule or you have additional training needs please reach out to the IIS trainer msims@kdheks.gov or 785-296-0687

Vaccine Information Statements–

Anthrax	3/10/10	MMR	4/20/12
Chickenpox	3/13/08	Tdap	2/24/15
DTaP/DT/DTP	5/17/07	MMRV	5/21/10
Hepatitis A	10/25/11	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	2/02/12	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hib	4/2/15	PPSV	4/24/15
HPV9	3/31/16	Polio	11/8/11
HPV4 (Gardasil)	5/17/13	Rabies	10/6/09
HPV2 (Cervarix)	5/03/11	Rotavirus	4/15/15
Influenza (LAIV4)	8-07-15	Shingles	10/6/09
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8-07-15	Smallpox	10/01/09
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Td	2/24/15
MCV4/MPSV4	3/31/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MenB	8/14/15	Yellow fever	3/30/11

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to vaccine@kdheks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464
http://www.kdheks.gov/immunize/vaccine_redistribution.htm

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

- 1) The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date;
- 2) The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider;
- 3) Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date;
- 4) The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly MIR/reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
- 5) Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
- 6) All vaccines must be in full boxes
- 7) The KIP nurse consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine
- 8) Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
- 9) When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
- 10) Varicella and Proquad, will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the Kansas immunization Program requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers. Questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.