

## Vaccination Campaign Report

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The Kansas Immunization Program (KIP) report for Nov. 13 included details on the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and KDHE recommendations for high priority groups for H1N1 vaccination, a vaccine distribution allocation update and clarification of 2 dose requirements for H1N1 vaccine:

- Children 6 through 35 months need **two** doses 0.25ml each
- Children 3 years through 9 years need **two** doses 0.5ml each
- Vaccine doses should be separated by 28 days.
- If the second dose is given 21 days or more after the first dose it does not need to be repeated.
- Although recommended, the second dose does not have to be the same vaccine type or brand as the first dose.

Please note the following procedures for the **Thanksgiving H1N1 Vaccine delivery schedule:**

- Orders placed on Fri., Nov. 20 and Mon., Nov. 23 will be delivered to providers on Tues, and Wed., Nov. 24-25. If submitting orders on Nov. 20 or 23, please ensure that providers will be available during all stated office hours on these dates to receive H1N1 vaccine shipments.
- The holiday shipping schedules for H1N1 vaccine and supplies are slightly different from those for routine VFC vaccines, including seasonal flu vaccine, and are being separately distributed and communicated.
- If your clinic will not be open at any time during Thanksgiving week, and you are placing a vaccine order, please make note of this information on your vaccine order form.

The KIP conference call also reported specific ancillary supply kit details on the VanishPoint syringes in H1N1 kits. Debbie McNary, RN, BSN from Jefferson County Health Department provided KIP the following information.

 *The safety mechanism must be activated while the needle is still in the patient in order for the entire vaccine dose to be injected.* The literature states, "Full dose is administered only when needle retraction is activated." It is absolutely necessary to activate it in the patient. When the plunger is pushed, it comes to natural stop. You must push past that first stop with some force to complete the injection. If you don't realize this is a retractable syringe, you may not push any further. There are no directions that come with the syringes in these packs indicating this, so vaccinators may not know this information and therefore may not be giving full doses. A document that explains the use is located at, [http://www.vanishpoint.com/files/Instruction\\_Flyers\\_English.pdf](http://www.vanishpoint.com/files/Instruction_Flyers_English.pdf)

Per the request of listeners this newsletter includes the following Influenza Vaccination Record information. CDC recently made a slight revision and posted its Influenza Vaccination Record card on the "2009 H1N1 Flu: Free Resources" section of its website, [www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/freeresources.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/freeresources.htm) When you are on the Free Resources web-page, scroll down to the item titled "2009-10 Influenza Vaccination Record Card, Oct. 30, 2009." The card previously was not available on the CDC Website.

- The printed version of the record card is packaged in bundles of 100 and included with other ancillary supplies that accompany each shipment of 100 doses of H1N1 vaccine. Healthcare providers have discovered that more cards are sometimes needed to compensate for the additional doses necessary when children younger than age 3 years are given the recommended 0.25 mL dose of FluZone from the 5.0 mL vial, rather than the 0.5 mL dose that older persons are given.
- The card has space for healthcare providers to record information for both H1N1 and seasonal influenza vaccine. This allows providers who are administering only seasonal vaccine to use the card to give their patients a record of seasonal vaccination.
- The online version of the record card can be printed on an office printer or taken to a photocopy store. The link to a PDF version of the card suitable for printing 6 cards to a page, as well as instructions for use of the card, can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1> Scroll down and click on a hyperlink titled Free Resources.

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