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PLEASE READ AND SHARE WITH ALL STAFF IN YOUR OFFICE!

Illinois Medicaid Managed Care Organization (MCO) Survey – LAST CHANCE to raise your voice on MCO vaccine reimbursement

We would like ALL Chicago VFC providers to fill out this 5 question [survey](#) on MCO reimbursements for vaccine purchased commercially (CHIP) so we can give feedback to Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) and advocate for you. The more responses we get, the more we can make a difference!

The survey will close on **Wednesday, June 6th**. Access the survey by clicking the hyperlink above or navigate to this address: <https://bit.ly/2JSS0w8>

Check-out the UPDATED content on the [CDPH Walk-in Immunization Clinics](#) webpage. There are additional instructions and tips for your patients, if they need this service during the Back-To-School season.

Combination Vaccine Guide - Avoid Medical Errors!

Summer is rapidly approaching, which means that the back-to-school season is also on its way. Please review the use of combination vaccines, especially Kinrix and ProQuad.

- Kinrix (DTaP-IPV) is **only** licensed for ages four through six.
- ProQuad (MMRV) is **only** licensed for ages 12 months through 12 years.

Doses that do not meet these guidelines are flagged as "Invalid" in I-CARE, to discourage off-label use. This also will lower your clinic's immunization coverage levels. Please find the attached **Quick Reference Guide to Combination Vaccines** created by the Michigan Department of Public Health and share with staff at your practice.

It is very important to *always* follow ACIP recommendations. A wealth of immunization information can be found at the Immunization Action Coalition's website, www.immunize.org, under the "Ask the Experts" section. All providers and staff are encouraged to subscribe to receive the latest immunization updates.

Provider Vaccine Recommendations – What you say matters

Two studies were recently published confirming the importance of the provider recommendation on vaccine uptake:

- A new article on the association between provider recommendation and flu vaccination in children is now available. The article showed that children with a provider recommendation were twice as likely to be vaccinated than those without. [Click here](#) to view the article abstract.
 - Full website: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0264410X1830584X>

- A second article published results of a study on parent-provider communication around HPV vaccine hesitancy. Results showed that providers engaging hesitant parents and addressing their concerns can lead to same-day HPV vaccination. [Click here](#) to view the article abstract.
 - Full website: <http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/early/2018/05/11/peds.2017-2312>

Provider Vaccine Recommendation Resources

- **Getting Parents to Yes! Vaccine Conversations That Work for Providers & Parents**
Best practices for effective vaccine recommendations, how to educate parents about infant and HPV vaccines and tips for what to do when parents decline or delay.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HaOmFfJJac8>
- **Provider Resources for Vaccine Conversations with Parents**
Materials to help you assess parents' needs, identify the role they want to play in making decisions for their child's health, and then communicate in ways that meet their needs.
<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/conversations/index.html>
- **Motivational Statements about HPV Vaccination**
Research with physicians and parents found that these statements would help parents agree to HPV vaccination.
<https://www.hpviq.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/04/Making-Effective-HPV-Vaccine-Recommendations-Motivational-Statements-Handout-RTIPs-v2.pdf>
- **Resources for Responding to Parents**
Background information and practical resources to help efficiently and confidently discuss immunization with parents and patients.
<http://www.immunize.org/talking-about-vaccines/responding-to-parents.asp>

Did you know... most Vaccine-Preventable Diseases (VPDs) diagnosed in the outpatient setting should be reported within 24 hours?

The lab may report positive results but we still need details from you! Healthcare provider information is essential to identifying and managing outbreaks early. Clinical diagnoses of chickenpox and measles are **always** reportable and we may ask you to report clinical diagnoses of pertussis and mumps in certain outbreak settings. Visit www.chicagohan.org to find case report forms for each VPD.

Select VPDs Reportable in Illinois [according to HIPAA CFR §164 512(b)]	REPORT WITHIN:
Pertussis, Chickenpox (varicella), Mumps, Measles, Rubella	24 hours
Acute Flaccid Myelitis (AFM) or any unusual case or cluster of cases that may pose a public health hazard	Immediately (3 hours)

If your provider group or organization is interested in more education on VPD identification, diagnosis, and reporting, email VPD coordinator Erika Davis at Erika.davis@cityofchicago.org.



Quick Reference to Combination and/or Reconstituted Vaccines: Childhood

(Highlight Vaccines in Your Refrigerator and Post)

Brand Name	What it contains	Use for Ages:	Use for Dose:	Administration Tips ¹
Pentacel® SP	DTaP, IPV + Hib	6 weeks through 4 years	1, 2, 3 or 4 of DTaP, IPV or Hib	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up the DTaP/IPV liquid (diluent) • Add diluent to the Hib vial; shake well • Administer within 30 minutes; give IM
Pediarix® GSK	DTaP, IPV, Hep B	6 weeks through 6 years	1, 2, or 3 of IPV or DTaP; any dose of hep B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premixed • Shake well before administering; give IM
Kinrix® GSK	DTaP, IPV	4 through 6 years	5 th dose of DTaP; 4 th (valid) dose of IPV ²	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premixed • Shake well before administering; give IM
Quadracel™ SP	DTaP, IPV	4 through 6 years	5 th dose of DTaP 4 th or 5 th dose of IPV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Premixed • Shake well before administering; give IM
ProQuad® Merck	MMR, Var (MMRV)	If 1 st dose: ages 12-47 mo, use separate MMR & Var If 1 st dose: ages 4-12 years, use MMRV If 2 nd dose: ages 15 mo-12 years, use MMRV		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up “diluent for Merck vaccines” • Add diluent to MMRV vial; shake well • Administer within 30 minutes; give SC
MMR II® Merck	MMR	12 months and older	1 or 2 of MMR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up “diluent for Merck vaccines” • Add diluent to MMR vial; shake well; give SC
ActHIB® SP	Hib	6 weeks through 4 years	Any dose of Hib	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up diluent packaged with Hib vial • Add diluent to Hib vial; shake well; give IM
Hiberix® GSK	Hib	6 weeks through 4 years	Any dose of Hib	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up diluent packaged with Hib vial • Add diluent to Hib vial; shake well; give IM
Varivax® Merck	Var	12 months and older	1 or 2 of Var	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up “diluent for Merck vaccines” • Add diluent to Varicella vial; shake well • Administer within 30 minutes; give SC
Menveo® Novartis	MCV4	2 months through 55 years	Any dose of MCV4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draw up MenCYW liquid (diluent) • Add to MenA vial; invert; shake well; give IM
Rotarix®, GSK	RV1 (Rotavirus)	6 weeks through 7 months	Any dose of RV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use diluent in pre-filled oral applicator • Add to RV1 vial; shake; withdraw; give orally

¹Refer to the manufacturer’s package insert for further details regarding reconstituting and/or administering these products

²When used in combination with Pentacel (DTaP-IPV-Hib), Kinrix may be used for the 5th (4th valid) dose of the Hib series

Avoid medication errors! Use only the diluent that is packaged or sent with each specific vaccine—don’t use any other liquid