

VACCINES FOR CHILDREN NEWS BULLETIN

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The news bulletin serves to keep you aware of emerging VFC program, vaccine, and vaccine-preventable disease updates.

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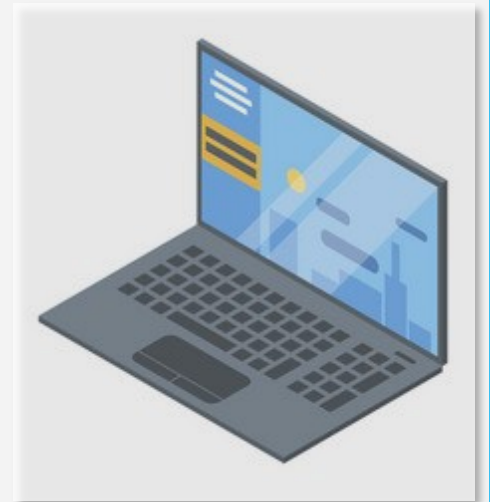
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Chicago Public Schools has released its **minimum health requirements** for the 2020-21 school year.

[Click to see what CPS's requirements are this year.](#)

Sign up for VFC Regional Meeting Webinar [here.](#)

Complete the VFC Regional Meeting Webinar Training



At least 2 staff members from each Chicago VFC practice are required to complete the webinar and evaluation.

****Failure to complete the training may result in suspension of VFC vaccine ordering privileges****

How to Access the Training

Please go to this link in order to view the Regional Meeting webinar: <https://tinyurl.com/CDPHVFC2020>.

- You will need to provide your name and email address
- You will be able to pause and start the webinar at any time
- After completing the webinar, you will receive a link to complete the evaluation
- Please complete the evaluation **within a week** in order to receive attendance credit and your Continuing Education certificate

Questions?

Webinar/CE questions: AWong@illinoisap.org

VFC Requirement questions: ChicagoVFC@cityofchicago.org



2020-21 Seasonal Influenza Vaccines are Available!

Pre-book [here](#):

A few things to remember:

- Pre-book amount should be requested by **doses** in multiples of 10; if you want 50 doses, please enter **50**, not 5.
- Once available, flu doses will start arriving in your offices. You may not receive your entire order at the same time. We will continue to distribute doses until we have sent your entire pre-book request.
- There is a limited supply of certain influenza vaccine products. If providers request more than what is available, VFC will reach out to your office to redistribute your order with available vaccine.

If you have any questions on how much flu you requested last season, please contact the Vaccine Management Unit at 312-746-5385 or Chicago-VFC@cityofchicago.org.

Providers may choose from the 8 formulations listed below:

All formulations are Quadrivalent Influenza Vaccines (QIV)*

- Fluzone 0.25 mL pre-filled syringes, preservative free (6-35 months)
- Fluzone 0.5 mL single dose vials, preservative free (6 months-18 years)
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- Fluarix 0.5 mL pre-filled syringes, preservative free (6 months-18 years)
- Flulaval 0.5 mL pre-filled syringes, preservative free (6 months-18 years)
- Fluzone 0.5 mL multidose vials (6 months-18 years)
- Flumist 2 mL pre-filled sprayer, preservative free (2-18 years)
- Flucelvax 0.5 mL single dose syringe, preservative free (4-18 years)

*QIV contains 4 strains of the influenza virus: two influenza A strains and two influenza B strains

The 2020-21 VFC Pediatric Flu Pre-book is available at the following link: <https://redcap.link/2020fluprebook>

Return Expired Flu Vaccine

You may now return flu vaccine from the 2019/20 flu season.

Please fill out a Vaccine Return Form ([available on the HAN](#)) and fax to 312-746-6220.

Please also remember to **remove it from your I-CARE inventory** after submitting the Return Form.



Contact Us

Forms, Policies, and Program Updates

www.ChicagoHAN.org/VFC

Primary Contact Method

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Please use this email for all general VFC inquiries and issues including those related to vaccine orders and temperature excursions

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