

# 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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## COMING SOON

### Chicago VFC Re-Enrollment

Please keep an eye out for details on how to re-enroll in the VFC program for 2021-2022.

*Chicago is grateful for your dedication to the program and looks forward to continuing our work together!*

## VFC Regional Meeting Training Requirement due 6/30/21

Like last year, the 2021 Regional Meeting training will be held virtually in webinar format. At least two VFC staff members from each clinic must complete the training by 6/30/21.

Please see the attached guide for instructions on how to complete this requirement by [6/30/21](#).

## Illinois Medicaid Vaccine Reimbursement Increased by 161%

Chicago VFC is pleased to share that recent legislation in Illinois will raise the Medicaid reimbursement for vaccine administration from \$6.40 to \$16.71!

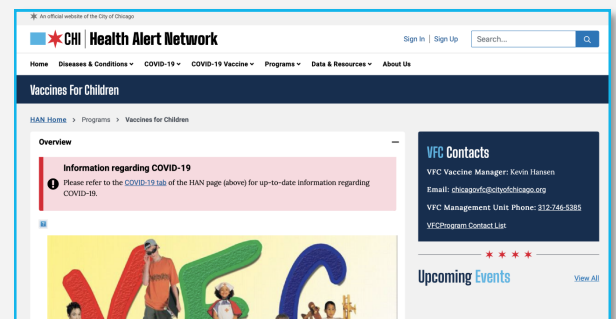
In addition to the present increase, provisions in place will automatically increase Illinois' reimbursement rate in the future if the federal Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) decides to raise their maximum administration fee as well.

Read more in an ICAAP press release [here](#).

## New VFC HAN Website

Check out the new and improved Health Alert Network (HAN) website and **please bookmark the new URL: [www.chicagohan.org/programs/vfc](http://www.chicagohan.org/programs/vfc)**

This website has news updates, forms, guidance, and other important information and should be your first stop whenever you have a VFC question!



# Flu Pre-Book Available 6/14-7/30

Believe it or not, flu season is right around the corner!

Your clinic can pre-order your VFC and CHIP flu vaccines using this [link](#). All the vaccines below are available for VFC patients. The vaccines in yellow are the only ones available for CHIP patients.

NDC	Manufacturer	Brand	Description	Age
66019-0308-10	AstraZeneca	FluMist-Quad	0.2mL single dose sprayer, 10 pack	2-49 years
58160-0887-52	GSK	Fluarix-Quad	0.5mL single dose syringe, 10 pack	6 mo+
19515-0818-52	GSK	FluLaval-Quad	0.5mL single dose syringe, 10 pack	6 mo+
49281-0421-10	Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	0.5mL single dose vial, 10 pack	6 mo+
49281-0421-50	Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	0.5mL single dose syringe, 10 pack	6 mo+
49281-0635-15	Sanofi	Fluzone-Quad	0.5mL multi-dose vial, One 10 dose vial	6 mo+
70461-0321-03	Sequris	Flucelvax-Quad	0.5mL single dose syringe, 10 pack	2 years+

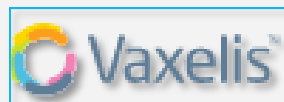
Please base your order numbers on patient numbers from the 2019-2020 flu season for more accurate estimates. Delivery of new flu vaccine will likely become available in August and September.

Any flu vaccine from this past year that will expire on 6/30/21 should be kept in your refrigerator. Once expired, this vaccine can be returned using a Vaccine Return Form ([see HAN](#)).

**Pre-book flu vaccine using this [link](#) between 6/14-7/30.** Direct any questions to [chicagovfc@cityofchicago.org](mailto:chicagovfc@cityofchicago.org).

## Vaxelis Vaccine Available in June

Sanofi/Merck's hexavalent vaccine [Vaxelis](#) will be available to order through Chicago VFC's formulary this month.



This 3-dose vaccine is indicated for pediatric patients at 2, 4, and 6 months, and protects children against **hib, diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio, and hep B**.

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### VFC Forms, Policies, Program Updates

[www.chicagohan.org/programs/vfc](http://www.chicagohan.org/programs/vfc)

### COVID-19 Vaccine Information

[www.chicagohan.org/covid-19-vaccine](http://www.chicagohan.org/covid-19-vaccine)

### General VFC Inbox

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