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To: MnVFC Providers

From: MnVFC Program

Re: Reminder: Prebook Orders Due Feb. 1

FDA Approves Fluzone 0.5ml for Ages 6 Months and Older

2019-20 Influenza Prebook Orders Reminder

MnVFC pediatric influenza vaccine orders for the 2019-20 influenza season are due Friday, February 1. The MnVFC program only provides influenza vaccine for eligible children age 18 and younger.

How to order influenza vaccine:

- Go to Ordering MDH Vaccine (www.health.state.mn.us/divs/idepc/immunize/vaxorder.html) and look for the 2019-20 MnVFC Pediatric Influenza Vaccine Ordering Form link.
- Expect to receive a confirmation email within two business days of submitting your form. If you do not receive a confirmation email, please email health.mnvfc@state.mn.us.

Fluzone 0.5ml dosage now approved for children 6 months and older

As of January 23, 2019, the FDA approved the use of Fluzone 0.5ml dose for persons 6 months and older. Previous licensure was for persons 3 years and older. Children age 6 months through 8 years who have never received influenza vaccine before still need two doses of Fluzone 0.5ml to complete the series—just like all other influenza products.

Fluzone 0.25ml pre-filled syringes remain available for the 2019-20 season, but we strongly encourage MnVFC sites to prebook the Fluzone 0.5ml presentation to reduce confusion next season.

If your site already submitted a flu prebook order this year and you would like to change your order, please re-submit an order form with your new request by February 1. We will send a confirmation email within two business days.

Questions?

Contact the MnVFC program staff at health.mnvfc@state.mn.us or 651-201-5522.