

Dear Providers,

This newsletter is meant to keep you up to date on issues related to vaccines quickly and easily. We welcome your questions and comments. Email us at immunization.program@ventura.org

2020 ACIP Immunization Schedule: The [2020 Recommended Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 0 Through 18 Years](#) has been approved by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), American Academy of Pediatrics, American Academy of Family Physicians, and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists.

[2020 Adult Immunization Schedule for Persons Aged 19 years or older.](#)

The schedule has been approved by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP), the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG).

Each year, ACIP updates the immunization schedules to reflect current recommendations for licensed vaccines. In October 2019, ACIP voted to approve the recommended immunization schedules for 2020. The birth through 18 years recommended schedule has been approved by CDC, AAP, AAFP, and ACOG.

Changes in the 2020 child/adolescent immunization schedule include new or revised ACIP recommendations for hepatitis A vaccine, influenza vaccine, meningococcal B vaccine, and tetanus toxoid, reduced diphtheria toxoid, and acellular pertussis vaccine. Changes also include clarification of the recommendations for diphtheria and tetanus toxoids and acellular pertussis vaccine, *Haemophilus influenzae* type b vaccine, hepatitis B vaccine, meningococcal ACWY vaccine, and poliovirus vaccine.

The 2020 immunization child/adolescent schedule contains numerous, detailed recommendation changes. For all details regarding the content of the 2020 schedule, [view the MMWR article](#).

You can also view these changes on CDC's [Immunization Schedule Changes](#) web page.

CDC redesigns its "Immunization Schedules" web section to provide easier access to information and schedule-related resources

CDC has substantially redesigned its [Immunization Schedules web section](#) to provide easier access to information and schedule-related resources for healthcare providers, parents, and other adults. The following web pages are new to this CDC web section:

- [Resources for Health Care Providers](#)
- [Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule](#) web page, offering a variety of formats
- [Adult Immunization Schedule](#) web page, offering a variety of formats
- [Changes to This Year's Schedule](#)
- [Resources for Health Care Providers](#)
- [Schedule-Related Resources for Healthcare Providers](#)
- [Schedules and Resources for Parents and Adults](#)

Visit the CDC [Immunization Schedules web section](#) to explore the new design and to access the information you are seeking.

CDC published [Initial Public Health Response and Interim Clinical Guidance for the 2019 Novel Coronavirus Outbreak—United States, December 31, 2019–February 4, 2020](#) in the February 7 issue of MMWR (pages 140–146). The article's "Summary" box content is reprinted below.

What is already known about this topic?

In December 2019, an outbreak of acute respiratory illness caused by a novel coronavirus (2019-nCoV) was detected in mainland China. Cases have been reported in 26 additional locations, including the United States.

What is added by this report?

Nine of the first 11 U.S. 2019-nCoV patients were exposed in Wuhan, China. CDC expects more U.S. cases.

What are the implications for public health practice?

CDC, multiple other federal agencies, state and local health departments, and other partners are implementing aggressive measures to substantially slow U.S. transmission of 2019-nCoV, including identification of U.S. cases and contacts and managing travelers arriving from mainland China to the United States. Interim guidance is available at <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/index.html> and will be updated as more information becomes available.

[Access the MMWR article in HTML format.](#)

VFC Provider - 2020 VFC Recertification.

- All VFC Providers if you have not complete the recertification please go to www.eziz.org.
- Failure to submit your 2020 VFC Recertification will result in suspension of vaccine ordering privileges.
- If you have already submitted your 2020 VFC Recertification, thank you and please disregard this message.

Helpful Tips for Submitting your 2020 VFC Recertification:

- Dedicate enough time to complete the VFC Recertification process.
- All key practice staff must complete the required [EZIZ lessons](#) prior to accessing the online Recertification form on your [MyVFCvaccines](#) account.
- Complete the Recertification Worksheet to gather required information ahead of time.
- Do not wait until the last minute to submit your VFC Recertification!

Have updates to your Key Practice Staff? You can update this information in the online recertification form. If you have already submitted your 2020 Recertification and need to make changes, use the Update Practice Information link on the provider main page in your [MyVFCvaccines](#) account. For changes to the Provider or Record or Designee after your 2020 Recertification has been submitted, a signed Key Practice Staff Change Request Form must be submitted to the VFC Program. For corrections to medical licenses, please contact the VFC Customer Service Center at 1-877-243-8832 for assistance.

Keep in mind that all VFC communications are always posted on VFC's website, www.eziz.org

Need assistance with CAIR? Contact the CAIR help desk or your local CAIR representative



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