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RE: **COVID-19 Pediatric Provider Enrollment**

Greetings,

In anticipation of the expansion of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine's Emergency Use Authorization to include adolescents ages 12 year and older, the Texas Department of State Health Services (DSHS) Immunization Unit is encouraging all pediatric providers to enroll in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program. Currently, the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine is authorized for the ages 16 years and older.

While we do not know the exact timeline for the expanded authorization, we would encourage all interested pediatric providers to enroll now at [EnrollTexasIZ.dshs.texas.gov](https://enrolltexasiz.dshs.texas.gov). The enrollment requires facilities to complete the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) COVID-19 Vaccination Program Provider Agreement.

To ensure no delays in processing your enrollment for the COVID-19 Program, it is imperative that enrollment information contains the following:

- Organization name;
- ImmTrac2 Org code;
- Primary and Backup Vaccine Coordinators names;
- Phone numbers;
- Email addresses;
- Vaccine delivery hours; and
- Physical address
- Shipping address

- Vaccine administration address
- Vaccine storage unit make, model, and cubic feet.
- Data logger information and certificates of calibration, for both primary and backup
- Patient population

It is important to complete this required information in its entirety to reduce any shipping issues for COVID-19 vaccine. If there are any discrepancies, errors will occur which could affect the COVID-19 vaccine allocations.

To aid in this process, please review this packet. Included are the following:

- One-pager – “Tips and Tricks for Enrolling for COVID-19 Vaccine Program”
- CDC Storage and Handling Toolkit (via embedded link)
- One-pager – “Best Practices for Data Loggers”
- Additional Resources page – Links to Provider Enrollment FAQ, Vaccine Management Resources, Clinical Care Considerations, email/phone numbers
- CDC Talking Points – “Quick Answers to Common Questions People May Ask About COVID-19 Vaccines”

For questions or issues about enrolling for the COVID-19 Vaccine Program, please contact the DSHS COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Helpdesk at (877) 835-7750, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday or email COVID19VacEnroll@dshs.texas.gov.

Thank you for your partnership,

Texas Department of State Health Services