2024 – 2025 VFC Provider Handbook Appendices



Tennessee Vaccine- Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program Vaccine for Children (VFC) Program

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Appendix A

Resource	Information about Resource
CDC: Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine- Preventable Diseases, The Pink Book: Course	Includes principles of vaccination, immunization general recommendations and strategies, and information regarding vaccine safety, storage and handling, and details regarding administration of individual vaccines.
Textbook	Website: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/pinkbook/index.html
CDC: Vaccines and Immunizations	Provides information on immunization schedules, publications about vaccine-preventable diseases, and much more. Website: <u>http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines</u> Phone: 1-800-CDC-SHOT (1-800-232-4636)
CDC: Vaccine Information Statements (VIS) and Email VIS Update Service	Current VIS; sign up to receive update notices via email. Website: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/index.html
CDC: Vaccine Storage & Handling Toolkit	Information regarding best practices for vaccine storage and handling. Website: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp /admin/storage/toolkit/storag e- handling-toolkit.pdf
Immunize.org	Evidence-based vaccine information, VIS in multiple languages, "Ask the Experts", free print materials, information on vaccine-prevent able diseases, and much more. Website: <u>http://www.immunize.org</u>
CDC "You Call the Shots" Training	Vaccine Storage and Handling (module 10) Vaccines for Children Program (module 16) Website: https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/sh/ce.asp https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/vfc/ce.asp

Appendix B



2024 VFC Annual Phased Re-Enrollment Schedule



VFC providers have 60 days prior to the expiration of their current Provider Agreement (PA) to complete annual reenrollment. Providers are encouraged to initiate re-enrollment at the *beginning* of their 2 month window. Those who do not complete re-enroll by their expiration will be dis-enrolled from the Program. Enrollment guidance documents are available in the TennIIS Document Center. Documentation for VFC Enrollment can be scanned to <u>VFC.Enrollment@tn.gov</u> or faxed to 615-401-6831. After submission of all required documentation and the electronic Provider Agreement in TennIIS, please allow 7-10 business days for processing. For additional assistance or to report facility contact changes in the interim, please contact the *VFC Enrollment Team* at <u>VFC.Enrollment@tn.gov</u> or at 800-342-1813.

LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS- Agreement Expires on March 4th 2024

All local health departments (LHDs)								
2								
	EAST TN Region & KN	NOXCo. Metro – Agreem	nent <u>Expires</u> on Apr	il 1 st 2024				
01 - Anderson	15 – Cocke	47 – Knox – <u>Metro</u>	73 – Roane					
05 – Blount	29 – Grainger	53 – Loudon	76 – Scott					
07 – Campbell	32 – Hamblen	62 – Monroe	78 – Sevier					
13 – Claiborne	45 – Jefferson	65 – Morgan	87 – Union					

MID-CUMBERLANDRegion – Agreement <u>Expires</u> on May6 th 2024					
11 – Cheatham	43 – Humphreys	75 – Rutherford	85 – Trousdale		
22 – Dickson	63 – Montgomery	81 – Stewart	94 – Williamson		
42 – Houston	74 – Robertson	83 – Sumner	95 – Wilson		

NORTHEAST& SOUTHCENTRALRegions, & SULLIVANCo. Metro- Agreement Expires on June 3rd 2024						
02 – Bedford	30 – Greene	46 – Johnson	59 – Marshall	82 – Sullivan – <u>Metro</u>		
10 – Carter	34 – Hancock	50 – Lawrence	60 – Maury	86 – Unicoi		
16 – Coffee	37 – Hawkins	51 – Lewis	64 – Moore	90 – Washington		
28 – Giles	41 – Hickman	52 – Lincoln	68 – Perry	91 – Wayne		

SOUTHEAST & UPPERCUMBERLANDRegions, & HAMILTONCo. Metro – Agreement <u>Expires</u> on July1st 2024					
04 – Bledsoe	21 – DeKalb	44 – Jackson	67 – Overton	77 – Sequatchie	
06 – Bradley	25 – Fentress	54 – McMinn	69 – Pickett	80 – Smith	
08 – Cannon	26 – Franklin	56 – Macon	70 – Polk	88 – Van Buren	
14 – Clay	31 – Grundy	58 – Marion	71 – Putnam	89 – Warren	
18 – Cumberland	33–Hamilton – <u>Metro</u>	61 – Meigs	72 – Rhea	93 – White	

SHELBYCO. Metro – Agreement <u>Expires</u> on October 7 th 2024					
79 – Shelby – Metro					

WEST TN Region & MADISONCo.Metro – Agreement Expires on November4 th 2024						
03 – Benton	20 – Decatur	35 – Hardeman	40 – Henry	57– Madison – <u>Metro</u>		
09 – Carroll	23 – Dyer	36 – Hardin	48 – Lake	66 – Obion		
12 – Chester	24 – Fayette	38 – Haywood	49 – Lauderdale	84 – Tipton		
17 – Crockett	27 – Gibson	39 – Henderson	55 – McNairy	92 – Weakley		

 DAVIDSON CO. Metro – Agreement Expires on December 2nd 2024

 19 – Davidson – Metro

710 James Robertson Pkwy • AJT, 3rd Floor • Nashville, TN 37243

Appendix C: Examples of Insured Exceptions

INSURED EXCEPTIONS

Al/AN with Health Insurance that Covers Immunizations:

AI/AN children are always VFC-eligible. VFC is an entitlement program and participation is not mandatory for an eligible child. For AI/AN children that have <u>full immunization benefits</u> through a primary private insurer, the decision to participate in the VFC program should be made based on what is most cost beneficial to the child and family.

Insured and Medicaid as Secondary Insurance:

Situations occur where children may have private health insurance and Medicaid as secondary insurance. These children will be VFC-eligible as long as they are enrolled in Medicaid. However, the parent is not required to participate in the VFC program. There are options for the parent and provider. These options are described below:

Option 1

A provider can administer VFC vaccine to these children and bill the Medicaid agency for the administration fee.

In most healthcare situations, Medicaid is considered the "payer of last resort." This means that claims must be filed to and rejected by all other insurers before the Medicaid agency will consider payment for the service. This is not true of the VFC vaccine administration fee for Medicaid-eligible children.

The Medicaid program must pay the VFC administration fee because immunizations are a component of the Medicaid Early Periodic Screening, Diagnosis, and Treatment (EPSDT) program. However, once the claim is submitted to Medicaid, the state Medicaid agency does have the option to seek reimbursement for the administration fee from the primary insurer.

Please note: If the state Medicaid agency rejects a claim for a vaccine administration fee for a child with Medicaid as secondary insurance, stating the claim must first be submitted to the primary insurer for payment, the provider should notify the awardee. The awardee should notify their CDC project officer so that CDC can work with CMS to educate the state Medicaid agency and correct the situation.

Considerations regarding this option:

- This is the easiest way for a provider to use VFC vaccine and bill Medicaid for the administration fee.
- There are no out-of-pocket costs to the parent or guardian for the vaccine or the administration fee.

Option 2

A provider can administer private stock vaccine and bill the primary insurance carrier for both the cost of the vaccine and the administration fee.

- If the primary insurer pays less than the Medicaid amount for the vaccine administration fee, the provider can bill Medicaid for the balance of the vaccine administration fee, up to the amount Medicaid pays for the administration fee.
- If the primary insurer denies payment of vaccine and the administration fee, the provider may replace the privately purchased vaccine with VFC vaccine and bill Medicaid for the administration fee. The provider must document this replacement on the VFC borrowing form.

Considerations regarding this option:

- The provider may be reimbursed a higher amount if privately purchased vaccine is administered and both the vaccine and the administration fee are billed to the primary insurer.
- The provider should choose from the vaccine inventory that is most cost-effective for the family.
- The parent/guardian of a child with Medicaid as secondary insurance should never be billed for a vaccine or an administration fee.

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Appendix D: Patient Eligibility Screening Record

Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Patient Eligibility Screening Record

A record of all children 18 years of age or younger who receive immunizations must be kept in the health care provider's office for 3 years or longer depending on state law. The record may be completed by the parent, guardian, individual of record, or by the health care provider. VFC eligibility screening and documentation of eligibility status must take place with each immunization visit to ensure the child's eligibility status has not changed. While verification of responses is not required, it is necessary to retain this or a similar record for each child receiving vaccine. Providers using a similar form (paper-based or electronic) must capture all reporting elements included in this form.

1.	Child's Name :			
	Last Name		First Name	M
2.	Child's Date of Birth://			
3.	Parent/Guardian/Individual of Record	d:		
		Last Name	First Name	MI
4.	Primary Provider's Name:			
	Last Name		First Name	M

5. To determine if a child (0 through 18 years of age) is eligible to receive federal vaccine through the VFC and state programs, at each immunization encounter/visit enter the date and mark the appropriate eligibility category. If Column A-D is marked, the child is eligible for the VFC program. If column E, F or G is marked the child is not eligible for federal VFC vaccine.

	Eligible for VFC Vaccine			Note	ligible for VFC	Vaccine	
	A	B	C	D	E	F	G
Date	Medicaid Enrolled	No Health Insurance	American Indian or Alaskan Native	*Underinsured served by FQHC, RHC or deputized provider	Has health insurance that covers vaccines	**Other underinsured	***Enrolled in CHIP (CoverTN)
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covered by insurance. In addition, to receive VFC vaccine, underinsured children must be vaccinated through a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) or Rural Health Clinic (RHC) or under an approved deputized provider. The deputized provider must have a written agreement with an FQHC/RHC and the state/local/territorial immunization program in order to vaccinate underinsured children.

** Other underinsured are children that are underinsured but are not eligible to receive federal vaccine through the VFC program because the provider or facility is not a FQHC/RHC or a deputized provider. However, these children may be served if vaccines are provided by the state program to cover these non-VFC eligible children.

***Chikiren enrolled in separate state Chikiren's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). These chikiren are considered insured and are not eligible for vaccines through the VFC program. Each state provides specific guidance on how CHIP vaccine is purchased and administered through participating providers.

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Form may be found on the Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization

Program website at: https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/vfc/vfc-

provider-guidance.html

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Appendix E



Tennessee Immunization Information System (TennIIS) Quick Reference Guide

Automatic and Correct Lot Decrementing for Direct Data Entry via TennIIS Portal Users

Description of this guide:

This guide includes instructions for automatic decrementing for providers who submit data via Direct Data Entry (DDE) to the TennIIS IWeb Portal. A description of the changes to current TennIIS processes, troubleshooting tips, and the addition of Correct Lot Decrementing are also included.

Included in this guide:

- <u>Current Processes</u>
- <u>Automatic Decrementing via DDE</u>
- <u>Correct Lot Decrementing</u>
 - o <u>Common Decrementing Errors</u>
 - Correct Decrementing Module
- Patient Detail Report
- Updates to Inventory Reconciliation
- Contact Information

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Current Processes

Providers with vaccine inventory in TennIIS are currently responsible for:

- Creating, Submitting, and Receiving vaccine orders (Order Management QRG)
- Reporting administered doses directly to TennIIS via DDE with automatic decrementing capabilities (Medical Office User QRG, Pg. 10)
- Inventory reconciliation every 30 days for VFC lots and on a daily basis for COVID-19 lots (Reconciliation QRG)

What's New!

Providers are now able to troubleshoot automatic decrementing of doses from their virtual inventory using Correct Lot Decrementing. This functionality will now be required prior to reconciliation and ordering for all providers who manage an inventory in TennIIS.

The following process walks through this new functionality from start to finish:

- 1. Patient is given a vaccine.
- 2. Administered vaccine information is entered directly into TennIIS and includes all fields required for automaticdecrementing.
- 3. TennIIS will compare the vaccine information to the virtual inventory.
- 4. If a match is found, 1 dose will be removed from the virtual inventory. The patient's vaccination record will be updated.
- 5. If a match is not found, the virtual inventory will not be updated, and the administered vaccine will go to the Correct Decrementing queue. The patient's vaccination record will be updated.
- 6. The TennIIS inventory manager for the facility will check and correct vaccines in the Correct Decrementing queue prior to reconciliation and before a new order can be placed.

Automatic Decrementing via DDE

Automatic decrementing is the method of decrementing the number of vaccine doses in a provider organization's inventory in TennIIS when the organization reports a vaccination event through DDE into TennIIS. For a lot to decrement from the virtual inventory, the administered vaccine information entered in the Vaccination Detail page must match the vaccine information associated with a lot in the facility's virtual inventory.

The data elements required for automatic decrementing to occur when an administered dose is entered into TennIIS are shown below, where Historical must be "No" for administered doses, and Date Administered should not be after the vaccine expiration date.



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Vaccine 1:	DTaP (Infanrix®)
Date Administered:	mm/dd/yyyy
Historical:	○ YES ● NO
Manufacturer:	Click to select
Lot Number:	
Lot Facility:	
Funding Source:	
Provider Noted on Record:	
Lot Noted on Record:	
Manufacturer Noted on Record:	
Facility:	Select
Vaccinator:	Select
Anatomical Site:	Select
Anatomical Route:	Select
Dose Size:	Full
Volume (CC):	
VFC Status:	Patient is not VFC Eligible.
District/Region:	
VIS Publications Dates:	1. 2. 3. 4.
Date VIS Form Given:	10/28/2021
Ordering Provider:	Select
Comments:	

A dose will decrement if the Manufacturer, Lot Number, Lot Facility, and Funding Source can be selected ("Click to Select") from the facility's inventory for an administered vaccine. The VFC status of the patient must be consistent with the lot's funding source for automatic decrementing to occur.

If these fields are not available in the inventory for the administered vaccination, such as for privately funded doses, the Lot and Manufacturer "Noted on Record" fields should be populated instead. In this case, the administered dose will not decrement from the provider's virtual inventory. If you feel a pandemic or publicly funded lot is missing from your inventory, please contact <u>TennIIS.VOMS@tn.gov</u> for assistance in correcting the inventory to avoid a recurring issue with this lot number.

Please note that privately funded vaccinations will not be added to TennIIS inventories and will not follow the automatic decrementing process.

For more information on entering vaccinations into TennIIS using DDE, please go to the <u>TennIIS home page</u> and find our "Manual Entry Into TennIIS" training video under the "Training and Education: FAQs, Training Guides/Videos/Webinars, and Workarounds" tab.



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Correct Lot Decrementing

If TennIIS is unable to match the administered vaccine information entered on the Vaccination Detail page to an existing lot in the facility's TennIIS inventory, the administered vaccine will go to the Correct Decrementing queue to await resolution. The vaccine information will populate the patient's record but will not decrement a dose from the virtual inventory.

The Correct Decrementing module in TennIIS allows inventory managers to review and correct administered vaccines that did not match a lot in the facility's TennIIS inventory. This function will update the vaccine information on a patient's record as well as correctly decrement the virtual inventory.

This process should be done prior to reconciliation.

Common Decrementing Errors

Most vaccinations that end up in the Correct Decrementing queue are due to one of the following issues, usually from data entry error:

- Incorrect or missing lot number
- Incorrect or missing manufacturer
- Dose not linked to the correct TennIIS facility
- Funding source not appropriate for dose given
 - Ex. Private funding source for a publicly funded vaccine
- Mismatched patient eligibility and funding source
 - Ex. Non-VFC patient receiving a publicly funded vaccine

Correct Decrementing Module

- 1) Login to TennIIS.
 - Open the "Lot Numbers" menu and select the "Correct Decrementing" option.

Reconciliation Aggregate Vaccine
Aggregate Vaccine
Counto
Counts
Search/Add
Search Results
Detail
Correct Decrementing

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Patient Detail Report	
The Patient Detail Report will show providers more information on white	ch vaccines are not decrementing from the virtual inventory.
 Login to TennIIS. Open the "Reports" menu and select the "Report Module" option. 	▲ Reports Patient Record Report Module State Reports Mgmt Reports School Reports
2) Click "Patient Detail Report" under the "Patients" section.	Patients Daily Patient Immunization List Patient Detail Schedule Patient Totals Schedule Contraindication Report Aggregate Contraindication Report
 3) Select the report parameters: Select the "By Service" radio button. Enter a "Vaccination Date Range" that matches the doses administered report date range. If you are a pharmacy or a health department, update "Inactive Status at the Organization Level" to "Active and Inactive Patients". Select "Non-Decremented Doses Only" in the "Doses Decremented" drop-down menu. Click "Create Report". 	Patient Detail Report Run By By Ownership By Service Limit Report By Vaccination Date Range From: mm/dd/yyyy Through: mm/dd/yyyy Birth Date Range From: mm/dd/yyyy Through: mm/dd/yyyy Through: mm/dd/yyyy Vaccination Date Range From: mm/dd/yyyy Through: mm/dd/yyyy Vaccination Date Range From: mm/dd/yyyy Through: mm/dd/yyyy Vaccination Date Range From: mm/dd/yyyy Distributed State Batk Rest Count Report Report Report State Stat



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4) Under "Historical/Decremented/Vaccinator" there will be an	Total Patients Having Vaccines: 11 Total Patients With All Vaccines Deleted: 0 Deleted vaccinations are shown with a line through them.				
"N" for vaccinations that did not decrement	Patient ID First Name Middle Name Last Name Birthday Guardian F.N. Phone Number VFC Eligible Facility 877442 MARQUISE BURNLEY CREDZOTZ KANESHA (423)220-4073 NO MEMARKY AMBULATORY PEDIATRIC CLINIC				
	Vaccine Vacc. Dose Mfg. Lot Funding VFC Historica/Decremented/Vaccinator Facility Date VIS Form VIS Publication Reporting Data Stora Code Eligible Divan Data Manuel				
	DI3P 6 perturate 04/21/2016 Full PRVT NO N N MEHARRY AMBULATORY 04/21/2016 Data Entry antigens				
	Patient ID First Name Middle Name Last Name Birthday Guardian F.N. Phone Number VFC Eligible Facility 7783595 MONDARTUS C COX 01/752015 HARRETTE (815)533/4053 YES				
	Vascine Vacc. Dose Mig. Lot Funding VFC HistoricalDecrementedVaccinator Facility Date VIS Form VIS Publication Reporting Data Siza Code Eligible Oven Data Method				
	Hop B, accloscent or 01/15/2015 Full PRVT NO Y N MEHARRY AVBULATORY Data Entry peciatric curves				
Updates to Inventory Reconciliation					
Before a new order can be placed, the provider's virtual inventory mu	ust be reconciled even if decay are being automatically degreemented. If				
before a new order can be placed, the provider's virtual inventory ind	ist be reconciled even if doses are being automatically decremented. If				
reconciliation is not done before ordering, a redirection back to the R	econciliation page prior to placing an order will occur.				
The reconciliation process has not changed, with the exception that the	he reconciliation Category "Administered" and Reason of "Administered				
but not linked to a vaccine" should no longer be used unless a vaccine	e that ended up in Correct Decrementing could not be resolved.				
Ideally, if automatic decrementing and Correct Decrementing are beir	ng used together, the "Quantity on Hand" and the "Physical Inventory"				
listed on the Reconciliation page should match meaning no Category	or Reason are required to be selected				
instea on the neconomization page should match, meaning no category	or neuson are required to be selected.				
If you notice your investory numbers are off places and if the VOM	C toom DEFODE moline and adjustments or corrections to your TorrellC				
if you notice your inventory numbers are off, please email the VOIVIS	S learn DEPORE making any adjustments or corrections to your Tennils				
inventory.					

Reconciliation categories of Correction, Expired, Recall, Spoiled, Transfer, and Wasted are still fine to use if applicable.

Contacts

For questions regarding Inventory, Correct Decrementing, or Reconciliation, please contact the TennIIS VOMS team at <u>VOMS@tn.gov</u>.

For all other questions, contact the Helpdesk at (800) 342-1813 Monday thru Friday 7AM to 6PM CDT or by email at: TennIIS.Help@tn.gov.

Appendix F: Vaccine Borrowing Form-*New REDCap Link for Borrowing*

redcap.health.tn.gov/redcap/surveys/?s=ADMNY89MHLJYM9F9

Facility Name: Pin #:

VACCINE BORROWING REPORT

VFC-enrolled providers are expected to manage and maintain an adequate inventory of vaccine for both their VFC and non-VFC-eligible patients. Planned borrowing of VFC vaccine including the use of VFC vaccine as a replacement system for a provider's privately purchased vaccine inventory is not permissible.

VFC-enrolled providers must ensure borrowing VFC vaccine will not prevent a VFC-eligible child from receiving a needed vaccination. Infrequent exchanging between VFC and private stock of a short-dated vaccine dose may be performed if the provider serves a small number of private pay patients, the dose is one month from expiration, or the dose of vaccine cannot be used for the population it is intended for prior to the expiration date.

COMPLETE THIS FORM WHEN:

- A dose of VFC vaccine is administered to a non VFC-eligible child
- A dose of privately-purchased vaccine is administered to a VFC-eligible child

HOW TO COMPLETE THIS FORM:

- Enter information on each dose of vaccine borrowed in a separate row in the Vaccine Borrowing Report Table.
- All columns must be completed for each dose borrowed
- The provider must sign and date at the bottom of this report
- Enter the corresponding reason code in column F of the Borrowing Report Table on page 2.
- Enter details of reason in Column F if an Other code (70ther or 130ther) is entered in the Vaccine Borrowing Report Table.

Reason for Vaccine Borrowing and Replacement Coding Legend

Reason for Borrowing VFC Dose	Code	Reason for Borrowing Private Dose	Code
Private vaccine shipment delay (vaccine order placed on time/delay in shipping)	1	VFC vaccineshipment delay (order placed on time/delay in shipping)	8
Private vaccine not useable on arrival (vials broken, temperature monitor out of range)	2	VFC vaccine not useable on arrival (vials broken, temperature monitor out of range)	9
Ran out of private vaccine between orders (not due to shipping delays)	3	Ran out of VFC vaccine between orders (not due to shipping delays)	10
Short-dated private dose was exchanged with VFC dose	4	Short-dated VFC dose was exchanged with private dose	11
Accidental use of VFC dose for a private patient	5	Accidental use of a Private dose for a VFC eligible patient	12
Replacement of Private dose with VFC when insurance plan did not cover vaccine	6	Other – Describe:	13Other
Other - Describe:	70ther		
WHAT TO DO WITH THIS FORM:			

. Completed forms must be sent to VPDIP every month, they can be emailed to Tenniis.VOMS@tn.gov and also need to be kept on file for 3 years.

Date Range of Vaccine Reporting (date of first dose borrowed to date of last dose borrowed):/ to	_/]
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VACCINE BORROWING REPORT TABLE								
A Vaccine Type Borrowed (please include lot# and expiration date)	B Stock Used (VFC or Private)	C Patient Name		D Patient DOB (XX/XX/XXXX)	E Date Dose Administered (XX/XX/XXXX)	F Reason Appropriate Stock was not U (Use legend code on page one reason for each dose	Vaccine sed 1 to mark borrowed)	G Date Dose Returned to Appropriate Stock (XX/XX/XXXX)
I hereby certify, subject to penalty under the False Claims Act (31 U.S.C. § 3730) and other applicable Federal and state law, that VFC vaccine dose borrowing and replacement reported on this form has been accurately reported and conducted in conformance with VFC provisions for such borrowing and further certify that all VFC doses borrowed during the noted time period have been fully reported on this form.								
Provider Name:			Provider Signature: Date:					

² This form may be found on the Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program

website at: https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/vfc/vfc-provider-guidance.html

Appendix G: Guide to Selecting a Digital Data Logger



Educational resource created with support from Berlinger USA

A STEP-BY-STEP GUIDE TO SELECTING AND USING A DIGITAL Data LOGGER FOR VACCINE INVENTORY

Determine the number of devices Follow CDC recommendations & VFC requirements https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/ storage/toolkit/storage-handling-toolkit.pdf

Check with state/local Immunization Program for additional requirements and recommendations

Keep staff skills and capabilities in mind

Take immediate action when alarm triggers or out-of-range temperature is discovered

Follow manufacturer instructions

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Set-up a device for each vaccine storage unit

Monitor temperatures to assure storage unit remains in-range

> Maintain current/valid ISO17025 or equivalent certificate of calibration testing for each device

Read and record Min/Max/Current temperatures daily

Check for out of range temperature alarms

Download and review data

Assure probe is located with vaccine in

• If needed, move vaccines correct temperature • Call immunization program Stop & check when alarm triggers • Call vaccine manufacturer Document alarm occurrence according to center of unit requirements

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av 1	 Obtain multiple devices: one for each storage unit and one backup device with different calibration testing dates Ensure each device meets CDC requirements: Temperature probe Active temperature visibly displayed on the outside of the unit Capacity for continuous temperature monitoring, recording and downloading Contac: the Immunization Program for additional device requirements and policy/procedures for alarm notification, reporting and calibration testing Confirm that report shows alarms, temperature ranges (highes: and lowest) and duration of excursions Check for Immunization Program or manufacturer training 	Consider other CDC recommendations:	
0 ⁰ 2	 Reference manufacturer resources for set-up and installation Place probe in the middle of the unit with vaccnes Thread probe wire through door hinge side of the unit and ta unit portal designed for that purpose Contact manufacturer and/or Immunization Program for ins Monitor temperature and replace vaccine storage unit if it do Keep track of expiry date and ISO certificate of calibration ter 	pe in place (inside & outside the unit) or place wire in storage tallation trouble shooting es not maintain in-range temperatures sting for each device	
Steck 3	 Kead and record temperatures at least 1x daily noting data/time/temp/initials Assess at the start of clinic day and prior to vaccine administration Log recording in paper or electronic format Download and review reports weekly PD² reports simplify record keeping 	Screen 1340 12 Ed. Sensor	Thread flat wire through
R ^{CT} 4	 Take immediate action when there is an alarm or out of range temperature If needed, move vaccines to a storage unit with correct temperatures and quarantine vaccine Print report and look for clues to the problem e.g. is the ave. temperature 5.0°C (41°F)? If not is it too cold or too warm in the unit? Document the actions taken and duration of the alarm 	Stabilize	gasket on hinged side of unit Duct tape wire to
	Countrain the actions taken and unation of the alarmin period with the highest or lowest temp. - Communicate alarm information to Immunization Program and vaccine manufacturer Maintain reports per Immunization Program/CDC requirements	vial with probe on shelf	For more information go to: www.immunizationmanagers Educational resource created with support from Berlinger USA



Appendix I: Packing Vaccines for Emergency Transport

Be prepared for vaccine transport. Commercially available vaccine transport options are available at a variety of price points and may be preferred. However, the protocol below is designed to safely store vaccines for hours at proper temperatures using readily available materials.

Refrigerated Vaccine Transport Instructions:





Guide may be found on the CDC website at:

http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/downloads/emergency-transport.pdf

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TRANSPORTING FROZEN VACCINE

GUIDELINES FOR EMERGENCY VACCINE TRANSPORT

CDC discourages any vaccine transport. Vaccines should only be transported when absolutely necessary. Call the vaccine manufacturer if you have concerns.

ASSEMBLE PACKING SUPPLIES AND DOCUMENTS



Frozen cold packs

NEVER USE DRY ICE. Keep enough frozen cold packs in your vaccine freezer to make two layers in the transport cooler.

Data logger

Retrieve your backup device's buffered probe and its digital display.

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Insulating cushioning material

Use 2-inch layers of bubble wrap to prevent vaccines from shifting. Do NOT use packing peanuts or other loose material that might shift during transport.

Transport Log Print a copy of the VFC "Frozen Vaccine Transport Log" (IMM-1116).

Vaccine management plan

Find the alternate vaccine storage location in your practice's vaccine management plan.

PREPARE FOR TRANSPORT

If transferring vaccines to another VFC provider, complete the transfer form at MyVFCvaccines.org. (Refer to Provider Operations Manual for details.)

- Verify that the alternate vaccine storage location can store all of your vaccines.
- Complete the top portion of the transport log.
- Record the "Time" and "Temperature of vaccines in freezer before transfer" on the bottom of the transport log.
- Remove vaccines from the freezer.
- Complete the "Vaccine Inventory Information" on the transport log before proceeding.



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arrival" on the transport log before removing vaccines.

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	Mobile Immunization Clinic Log					
Clinic Date	Clinic Location	VFC Vaccine Type	VFC Vaccine Amount	Private Vaccine Type	Private Vaccine Amount	

Appendix J: Mobile Immunization Clinic Log

Form may be found on the Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program website at: <u>https://www.tn.gov/health/cedep/immunization-program/ip/vfc/vfc-provider-guidance.html</u>

Appendix K: Hourly Temp Logs

TN Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program (VPDIP) Hourly Vaccine Temperature Log – Celsius Refrigerated

Refrigerated vaccines must be maintained between 2°C and 8°C.

Contact VPDIP immediately if vaccine is exposed to temperature below 2°C for more than 15 minutes or above 8°C for more than 60 minutes. Take the below actions:

- 1. Labelvaccine"do not use"
- 2. Storevaccine under proper conditions as quickly as possible
- 3. Notify VPDIP at 1-800-342-1813 or temperature.health@tn.gov

Date:	Location:
Time VaccinePlaced into Unit:	Temperature:
Time VaccineRemoved from Unit:	Temperature:

Time	AM/PM	Temperature	Initials

Date:_____

Time:

VFC Coordinator Signature:

Prior to the vaccine being returned to the clinic, the VFC Coordinator must review temperature logs to verify vaccine cold chain has been maintained; attach this log to the data logger report. TN Vaccine Preventable Diseases & Immunization Program 1-800-342-1813.

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Hourly Vaccine Temperature Log – Celsius Freezer

Frozen vaccine must be maintained between -50°C and -15°C

Call VPDIP immediately if vaccine is exposed to temperature above -15°C for more than 60 minutes. Take the below actions:

- 1. Labe lvaccine "do not use"
- 2. Store vaccine under proper conditions as quickly as possible
- 3. Notify VPDIP at 1-800-342-1813 or temperature.health@tn.gov

Date:	Location:
Time VaccinePlaced into Unit:	Temperature:
Time VaccineRemoved from Unit:	Temperature:

Time	AM/PM	Temperature	Initials

Date:_____

Time:_

VFC Coordinator Signature: _

Prior to the vaccine being returned to the clinic, the VFC Coordinator must review temperature logs to verify vaccine cold chain has been maintained; attach this log to the data logger report. TN Vaccine Preventable Diseases & Immunization Program 1-800-342-1813.

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Appendix L: Insurance Cheat Sheet

Insurance Company	TennCare/ Medicaid?	Insurance Type	Covers all ACIP recommended vaccines? Justification / Other comments		
Aetna (Commercial-small group carrier) *	No	Private	Yes		
Allied Benefit System*	Partners with Aetna, Cigna, BCBS, and others (Employer insurance solution)				
Ambetter of Tennessee*	No	Private	Yes		
Celtic – Ambetter (Commercial- Individual) *	No	Private	Yes		
Celtic - Ambetter*	No	Public	Yes; Healthcare.gov (govt. marketplace)		
Bright Health*	No	Public	Yes; Healthcare.gov (govt. marketplace)		
Bright Health (Commercial - small group & individual) *	No	Private	Yes		
Blue Cross Blue Shield-TN*	No	Public	Yes; Healthcare.gov (govt. marketplace)		
BCBS (Commercial - small group & individual) *	No	Private	Yes		
BlueCare (BCBS)*	Yes	Public	Yes; Medicaid plans cover children vaccines		
(BCBS) TennCare Select*	Yes	Public	Yes; Medicaid plans cover children vaccines		
Anthem (BCBS Co.)	Does not offer plans in Tennessee				
Amerigroup (part of Anthem) *	Yes	Public	Yes; Medicaid plans cover children vaccines		
Cigna Health*	No	Public	Yes; Healthcare.gov (govt. marketplace)		
Cigna Health (Commercial- Individual) *	No	Private	Yes		
Farm Bureau of Tennessee	No	Private	Yes; Not an ACA compliant company, however.		
Humana (Commercial- Small group) *	No	Private	Yes		
Humana-Tricare	No	Public	Yes; government sponsored program		
Medi-Share	Not recognize	ed as health insuran	ce in Tennessee – person is considered "uninsured"		
North American Admins (Lucent Health)	Partners with considered "u	Aetna, Cigna, BCBS uninsured"	s, and others (Employer insurance solution) – person is		
Nova Net	Is not a healt	h plan, but a provid	er network– person is considered "uninsured"		
Oscar Insurance Co*	No	Public	Yes; Healthcare.gov (govt. marketplace)		
Oscar (Commercial- Small Group & Individual) *	No	Private	Yes		
TriWest (Military)	No	Public	Yes; government sponsored program		
United Health One (UHC)	No	Private	Yes; https://www.uhc.com/united-for-reform/health-reform- provisions/preventive-services		
United Healthcare (Commercial- Small group) *	No	Private	Yes		
United Healthcare Community Plan (UHC)*	Yes	Public	Yes; Medicaid plans cover children vaccines		
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ACA Compliance: All Marketplace plans are required to cover all ACIP recommended vaccines IAW ACA. All non-grandfathered private health plans are required to cover all ACIP recommended vaccines IAW ACA. Grandfathered status plans are not required to cover all of the benefits healthcare reform has deemed to be "essential," such as certain types of testing and treatment.

Affordable Care Act: "SEC. 2713. COVERAGE OF PREVENTIVE HEALTH SERVICES. "(a) IN GENERAL.—A group health plan and a health insurance issuer offering group or individual health insurance coverage shall, at a minimum provide coverage for and shall not impose any cost sharing requirements for— "(1) evidence-based items or services that have in effect a rating of 'A' or 'B' in the current recommendations of the United States Preventive Services Task Force; "(2) immunizations that have in effect a recommendation from the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention with respect to the individual involved; and "(3) with respect to infants, children, and adolescents, evidence-informed preventive care and screenings provided for in the comprehensive guidelines supported by the Health Resources and Services Administration. <u>https://www.congress.gov/111/plaws/publ148/PLAW-111publ148.pdf</u>

Companies with Asterisk (*) verified from tn.gov website or CDC website

https://www.tn.gov/commerce/insurance/consumer-resources/health-insurance-information.html

https://www.tn.gov/tenncare/members-applicants/managed-care-organizations.html https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/adults/for-practice/insurance-payment.html

Appendix M: Vaccine Transport Logs

Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Refrigerated Vaccine Transport Log									
Instructions:	Instructions: Complete this log when transporting vaccines to an alternate or back-up refrigerator. Date:								
Provider Nam	ie:	VFC PIN:							
Transferred T	o:	VFC PIN:							
Vaccines Transferred Due To: 🗆 Power Outage 🔲 Excess Supply 🔲 Short Dated 📄 Unit Malfunction 🗆 Building Maintenance 🔲 Other:									
Vaccine Inventory Information – may also attach most recent reconciliation report from TennIIS.									
Vaccine	Lot Number	Number of Doses	Expiration Date	Vaccine Previously Tr	ansported? (Yes/No)	No) Comments			
Temperature Monitoring Information									
Temperature	of vaccine in refrigera	tor prior to transfer:	0	Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Temperature	of vaccine in cooler b	efore departure:	(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Temperature	of vaccine in cooler u	pon arrival:	(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Temperature	of back-up refrigerate	or:	(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Contact the VFC Program (800-404-3006) if temperatures during transport exceed recommended ranges. Total Transport Time: Min/Hr									

Form may be found on the Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization

Program website at: <u>Refrigerated Vaccine Transport Log - Final.pdf (tn.gov)</u>

Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Freezer Vaccine Transport Log									
Instructions:	Instructions: Complete this log when transporting vaccines to an alternate or back-up freezer. Date:								
Provider Nam	Provider Name: VFC PIN:								
Transferred T	'o:				VFC PIN:				
Vaccines Transferred Due To: Dever Outage Excess Supply Short Dated Unit Malfunction Building Maintenance Other:									
Vaccine Inventory Information – may also attach most recent reconciliation report from TennIIS.									
Vaccine	Lot Number	Number of Doses	Expiration Date	Vaccine Previously Tra	ansported? (Yes/No)	Comments			
Temperat	ure Monitoring	Information							
remperat	ure monitoring								
Temperature of vaccine in freezer prior to transfer: Celsius/Fahrenheit: Time:									
Temperature	of vaccine in cooler b	efore departure:	(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Temperature	of vaccine in cooler u	pon arrival:	(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Temperature	of back-up freezer: _		(Celsius/Fahrenheit:	Time:				
Contact the VFC Program (800-404-3006) if temperatures during transport exceed recommended ranges. Total Transport Time: Min/Hr									

Form may be found on the Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization

Program website at: <u>Freezer_Vaccine_Transport_Log - Final.pdf (tn.gov)</u>

Appendix N: VFC Enrollment QRG





This color is the info for each lot that needs to match identically to what's listed in your EHR so that it auto decrements correctly.



Important Ordering Information

- 1. We encourage providers to order in small quanities as often as needed to cut back on wastage of vaccines.
- Please do not wait till you are completely out of vaccines before placing an order because it can take up to 10 business days to receive your vaccines once the order has been approved.
- Orders placed before 3 pm will be approved and process same day and any orders placed after 3 pm will be processed by 8 am the following morning.
- If you have not received an order within 10 business days of placing the order or receive damaged or out of temp range vaccines, please report to <u>tenniis.voms@tn.gov</u> and <u>Temperature.Health@tn.gov</u> ASAP.
- 5. All expired vaccines must have a return submitted and sent back within 30 days of expiration.

Decrementing Report

If your counts are NOT reflecting in TennIIS correctly, <u>always</u> reach out to VOMS before trying to fix so your overall numbers are not thrown off.

If you have administered doses not deducting from your Lot totals in TennIIS, then they could be sitting in the decrementing correction que, waiting for you to manually move them over. (LOT NUMBERS TAB>Correct decrementing) Run the report from the date of last recon till the current day and make all the selections below are marked



Email <u>TennIIS.Voms@tn.gov</u> for any questions or corrections

Once the report is ran if you see any listed for the Lots that have counts off, then you will need to click the drop down and select the lot # then scroll to the bottom and click save. This will deduct a doses from the lot in tenniis

If you ever have a negative count on your inventory list, you will have to email VOMS at tennils.VOMS@tn.gov so they can fix this count for you. This happens when vaccines are crossing over from EHR but someone is also manually reconciling them as administered as well.

RETURNING EXPIRED VACCINES

The day after a vaccine expires, it will turn **RED** in Tenniis. Then you can reconcile all remaining on hand doses out as Expired, expired. Then located beside the create order button is the vaccine return button, click it. Then enter the doses in and click Submit & Print Return. The packing slip will pop up for you to print and insertinto the packing with the vaccines.



Appendix O: VFC Re-Enrollment QRG





VFC Re-Enrollment Quick Reference Guide



HOW TO CREATE A PROVIDER AGREEMENT IN TENNIIS

Log into TennIIS and choose your FACILITY. On the left hand side of the screen chose Orders/Transfers. At the bottom, click on Provider Agreement. You will see your current PA in



The two required CDC "<u>You Call the Shots</u>" training modules 10 & 16. Click on the links below, scroll to the bottom of the page and click "Continue" to begin a module.

- Storage and Handling (Module 10)
- Vaccines for Children (Module 16)

Immediately print your certificate upon completing each training module to avoid retaking the training. For further guidance with YCTS, visit CDC's TCEO homepage. If both the Primary Coordinator and Backup Coordinator have an educational Site Visit, that counts as YCTS.

Appendix P: VPDIP Phone Tree



VPDIP Phone Tree

When you contact the TennIIS Help Desk at (800) 342-1813 Monday through Friday, 7AM to 4:30PM CST, we have implemented a Phone Tree to best route your inquiry.

Please Press 1 to Request Immunization Records or for Help with TennIIS Records or email <u>TennIIS.Records@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 2 for Assistance with (VOMS) vaccine ordering, inventory, or returns or email <u>TennIIS.VOMS@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 3 for TennIIS Password Resets or email <u>TennIIS.Registration@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 4 for Questions Regarding School ImmunizationRequirements,ImmunizationRecommendationsandClinicalQuestions

or

email <u>TennIIS.Training@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 5 for Temperatures Excursions & Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program or email <u>Temperature.Health@tn.gov</u>

- Option 1: To report a temperature excursion please leave a message and someone will call you back or email <u>Temperature.Health@tn.gov</u>
- Option 2: For questions about the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program including VFC provider enrollment or email <u>VFC.Help@tn.gov</u>
- Option 3: For all other VFC questions including VFC Fraud Reporting or email <u>VFC-</u> <u>Fraud.Health@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 6 TennIIS Organization/Facility/User Registration or email <u>TennIIS.Registration@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 7 For assistance with electronic data exchange, Interoperability, EHR- TennIIS connection issues or email <u>TennIIS.MU@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 8 for information about becoming a COVID-19 Vaccine Provider or email <u>Vaccine.Onboarding@tn.gov</u>

Please Press 9 for information regarding the Kindergarten Survey Report, Program Effectiveness and Vaccine Coverage Rates or email <u>TIP.Quality@tn.gov</u>

Please press 0 for all other questions or email TennIIS.Help@tn.gov

Appendix Q: DDL Sign-off Sheet

Vaccine Storage Unit Digital Data Logger Sign-off Sheet

It is required that temperatures are reviewed within each vaccine storage unit twice a day and the minimum and maximum temperatures are reviewed each morning. Document time temperatures were taken each day the clinic is open. Follow appropriate procedures to evaluate a new alarm and document follow-up on the data logger print out; clear the alarm on the data logger.

Unit Ty	/pe (circle):	Fridge	Freeze	r UC Freezer			Month/Ye	ear			
Unit Lo	ocation						Provider	PIN#			
				Morning (AM)					Afternoon (PM)		
Day of Month	Daily Min/Max Tempin °C	Time AM	Current Temp in °C	Name/Initials	New A (Cir	Varm? cle)	Time PM	Current Tempin °C	Name/Initials	New A (Cire	larm? cle)
1					Yes	No				Yes	No
2					Yes	No				Yes	No
3					Yes	No				Yes	No
4					Yes	No				Yes	No
5					Yes	No				Yes	No
6					Yes	No				Yes	No
7					Yes	No				Yes	No
8					Yes	No				Yes	No
9					Yes	No				Yes	No
10					Yes	No				Yes	No
11					Yes	No				Yes	No
12					Yes	No				Yes	No
13					Yes	No				Yes	No
14					Yes	No				Yes	No
15					Yes	No				Yes	No
16					Yes	No				Yes	No
17		1			Yes	No				Yes	No
18					Yes	No				Yes	No
19					Yes	No				Yes	No
20					Yes	No				Yes	No
21					Yes	No				Yes	No
22					Yes	No				Yes	No
23					Yes	No				Yes	No
24					Yes	No				Yes	No
25					Yes	No				Yes	No
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27					Yes	No				Yes	No
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30					Yes	No				Yes	No
31					Yes	No				Yes	No
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Alarm Date	Time		Category				
	DAM	DPM	□Non-Reportable	□Reportable			
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	DAM	DPM	□Non-Reportable	□Reportable			
	DAM	DPM	□Non-Reportable	□Reportable			
	DAM	DPM	□Non-Reportable	□Reportable			
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	DAM	DPM	□Non-Reportable	□Reportable			

If an alarm is noted on the front page, please indicate the category of the event below.

The first time a new alarm is noted, download the data logger report, quarantine the product with a "do not use until notified by TVPDIP" sign, and Call 800-404-3006 or email <u>Temperature.Health@tn.gov</u> to report the temperature excursion. Please include your PIN number, a good contact phone number, the reason for submitting the report, and a list of the inventory affected if you choose to email the excursion information. The inventory listed must include brand Name, LOT numbers, expiration dates, and the quantity of doses affected.

Please note, the temperature excursion business hours are 8:00 AM to 4:30 PM Monday through Friday. We are closed on all Tennessee state holidays. You must report all excursions within 1 business day.

If you have a non-reportable alarm, please document this with your weekly printouts of your DDL and notate the reason the alarm was unreportable IE no vaccine in unit due to defrost, alarm parameters set incorrectly, etc. If vaccine was not in the unit, you must document the date and time vaccine was removed and returned (if applicable) to the unit.

Tennessee Vaccine-Preventable Diseases and Immunization Program at 800-404-3006 or 615-741-7247