Vaccine for Children (VFC) Program Eligibility in Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC) and Rural Health Centers (RHC)

| AGE | Insurance | Ethnicity | Can we give VFC vaccine? |
|---------------------------------|---|------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Birth through 18 years | TennCare (even if secondary) | | <u>Yes</u> – All recommended |
| | Uninsured | | <u>Yes</u> – All recommended |
| | Any | American Indian/ Alaskan Native | <u>Yes</u> – All recommended |
| | Private, but vaccines <u>not</u> covered as a benefit ("underinsured") | | <u>Yes</u> – All recommended |
| Birth through 18 years | Private, covers vaccines (may have co-pay or deductible), "fully insured" | | NO |
| Any person aged 19 years and up | | | NO |

Key points:

- 1. VFC eligibility **must** be documented in the medical record at **EACH visit** (or up to 24 hours before the visit).
- 2. Document eligibility in either the electronic or the paper medical record.
- 3. Documentation is a critical VFC Program requirement that is reviewed by VFC staff at each VFC site visit.