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To: Iowa Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program Providers

From: Iowa VFC Program

Re: Vaccine Update: PCV15 Vaxneuvance

Effective January 18, 2023, the Iowa VFC Program will allow providers to begin ordering PCV15 (Vaxneuvance) vaccine.

PCV15 (Vaxneuvance) is approved as an option for pneumococcal conjugate vaccination in children 6 weeks-18 years of age according to currently recommended PCV13 dosing and schedules. VFC Providers are not required to switch to PCV15 and can continue to order and use PCV13 vaccine.

A detailed pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV) summary is available [here](#) and includes information on use, dosage, schedule, and contraindications.

VFC Ordering: When placing an order for PCV vaccine, please review the clinic's vaccine inventory to identify all other vaccines needed. VFC providers should continue to use existing PCV stock prior to ordering PCV15 (Vaxneuvance) vaccine to avoid stockpiling PCV vaccine. **VFC providers should continue to place vaccine orders consistent with their economic order quantity (monthly, bimonthly or quarterly) and monitor existing inventory to ensure VFC vaccine is not wasted or allowed to expire.**

Updated VFC Monthly Doses Administered Reports and VFC Available Vaccines and Covered Age Ranges documents are available on the [Immunization Program Website](#).

If you have questions regarding recommendations for use of PCV vaccine, contact Shelly Jensen RN BSN at 1-800-831-6293 ext 2. For questions regarding vaccine orders contact the VFC Program at 1-800-831-6293 ext 6.