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[View State of Mississippi Legal Code Regarding Childhood Immunization](#)

VFC ENROLLMENT AND RECERTIFICATION INFORMATION

<u>Mississippi Vaccines for Children Handbook</u>	Providers must be familiar with all VFC requirements in this handbook.
<u>VFC Enrollment and Recertification</u> Includes: VFC Provider Agreement VFC Provider Profile VFC Vaccine Accountability and Management Plan (VAMP) Upload Calibration Certificate Upload “You Call the Shots – Storage and Handling” – Required training	This hyperlink has all the information a provider needs to complete the New Enrollment and Recertification process. Complete the Provider Agreement information and you will receive a DocuSign email containing your responses for e-Signature. Completion on initial enrollment, annual recertification, and with changes, is required for VFC participation
<u>Vaccine Accountability & Management (VAMP)</u>	The VFC Program requires each facility to develop and maintain a VAMP for routine and emergency situations involving federally and state supplied vaccine. Review and update your VAMP at least once a year, or as changes to your facility impact the VAMP. A current VAMP must be submitted annually on recertification to MSDH Office of Immunization.
<u>Temperature Log for Refrigerator – Fahrenheit</u> <u>Temperature Log for Freezer – Fahrenheit</u>	Download these temperature logs to record a full month of temperature readings. Providers initiating VFC participation should begin recording temperature logs as soon as they have the equipment to do so. Current minimum and maximum temperatures must be recorded at the beginning of each workday.
<u>Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit</u>	VFC Providers must comply with vaccine management guidelines in the CDC Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit
<u>Handling a Temperature Excursion in Your Vaccine Storage Unit</u>	Page 45 of the <u>Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit</u> this quick reference will walk you through required actions in the event of an excursion. The MSDH Office of Immunizations highly recommends that you print a copy and place this where it is readily available.

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IMMUNIZATION TOOLS

VFC/CHIP Immunization Representative Contact Information Immunization Central Office Staff and Contact Information	This is a list of Field Representatives and MSDH Immunization staff and their assigned counties.
Mississippi Immunization Information eXchange	Order VFC vaccine, report immunizations, maintain vaccine inventory
MIIX User Agreement	Use this to add request access and password resets for users at your facility - County Health Departments use the MSDH not-907 Form.
MIIX Remove User Access Form	Providers are required to remove users within three (3) days of an employee's last day of employment
Mississippi State Required Child Care Immunizations	Children ages 0 – 4 years of age and enrolled in licensed child care facilities are expected to be age appropriately immunized.
ACIP Recommended Immunization Schedules (<i>printable in color</i>) Birth through 6 Years Recommended Child and Adolescent Immunization Schedule	Direct links to printable schedules of childhood immunizations as recommended by the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).
Mississippi School Immunization Requirements	Provides a chart of immunization requirements and documentation requirements for children to enter school in the State of Mississippi.

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<u>CDC Vaccine Schedules App for Healthcare Providers</u>	“Optimized for tablets and useful on smartphones, the app shows child, adolescent, and adult vaccines recommended by the ACIP”
<u>HPV Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness</u>	<i>Talking to Parents about HPV Vaccine – HPV Vaccine is Cancer Prevention</i> Printable brochure
<u>Human Papillomavirus</u> <u>A Parent’s Guide to Preteen and Teen HPV Vaccination</u>	Brochure can be used as talking points or handouts providers can distribute to parents who are uncertain about getting their child vaccination against HPV.
<u>Instructions for Use – Vaccine Information Statements</u>	One page clarifying when to provide a VIS, what information is required to document the distribution of a VIS, current VIS publication date, and the applicable law supporting the requirement.
<u>Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) – English Language</u>	The CDC maintains a current English language VIS for each vaccine.
<u>Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) – Other Languages</u>	Translated copies of VIS available at Immunize.org to reduce barriers to important vaccination information for people whose preferred language is not English. CDC states: An up-to-date English-language VIS should always be included when providing a VIS translation.
<u>Dates of Current VISs</u>	Check your supply of VISs against this list. If you have outdated VISs, get current versions at the link above.
<u>Vaccine Administration Record</u>	VFC Providers must maintain all VFC records for a minimum of three (3) years, or longer according to facility policy. County Health Departments must follow the retention period included on form instructions.

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<u>Request for Medical Exemption</u>	Must be completed and signed by the child's pediatrician, family physician, or internist who is duly licensed in Mississippi. Each exemption request will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis by the MSDH State Epidemiologist. More information about Mississippi Medical Exemptions can be found at the <u>MSDH Medical Exemption Policy</u> page.
<u>MyIR</u> Mobile App	 Encourage families to use the MyIR mobile app to access and print their Form 121 for school or work.
<u>Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)</u> report online <u>Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS)</u> downloadable PDF	Use one of these tools to report a vaccine adverse event. The report online tool allows users to report directly to HHS. The PDF is fillable on download. - County Health Departments must use the PDF and forward a copy to the MSDH Office of Epidemiology
<u>Tdap or DTaP</u>	Quick reference visual guide to the age ranges and dose specifications of each.
<u>Immunization Schedules - and Other Healthcare Provider Resources</u>	CDC page with quick links on a variety of helpful vaccine related topics
<u>Administering Vaccines: Dose, Route, Site, and Needle Size</u>	Immunize.org quick reference guide on proper vaccine administration

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VACCINE INVENTORY TOOLS

[Vaccine Wastage and Disposal Form](#)

Complete this form for any vaccine that is wasted or disposed. Every effort should be made to minimize wasted by proper handling, storage, and administration.

You will be required to update your inventory in MIIX

[Vaccine Return Forms](#)

Complete this form for any vaccine eligible for return.

You will be required to update your inventory in MIIX

[Nonviable Vaccine Returns](#)

What SHOULD and should NOT be to return to McKesson

You **MUST** contact your VFC Program office before returning any federal or state funded vaccines to McKesson Specialty Distribution by submitting the [Vaccine Return Form](#).

[Vaccine Borrowing Report](#)

Planned borrowing of VFC vaccine is not allowed. VFC-enrolled clinics are expected to maintain adequate inventories of vaccine for their privately insured CHIP, and VFC-eligible patients so borrowing between stocks should be a RARE occurrence and available on request.

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ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

<u>CDC Epidemiology and Prevention Vaccine Preventable Diseases</u> (The Pink Book)	"...provides physicians, nurses, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, pharmacists, and other healthcare professionals with the most comprehensive information on routinely used vaccines and the diseases they prevent."
<u>Standards for Child and Adolescent Immunization Practices</u>	These Standards represent the most desirable practices for all health care providers and immunization programs.
<u>MSDH VFC Vaccine List</u>	List of current vaccines available through the Vaccines for Children Program
Printable Brochures – Parents / Patients <u>Vaccines for Children – Protecting America's children every day</u> <u>Did you know your child can get free vaccines?</u> <u>HPV Vaccine Safety and Effectiveness</u> Printable Brochures – Healthcare Providers <u>Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program – Information for Healthcare Providers</u>	Links to CDC brochures encouraging vaccination and providing information on the VFC Program and eligibility to participate.
<u>VFC Eligibility</u>	Quick guide to confirm patient VFC eligibility. VFC participating providers are required to screen and document for VFC eligibility with each immunization visit.
<u>Vaccine Label Examples</u>	Examples of labels that may be used to help organize vaccines based on recommendations from the ACIP and may include indications different from those of the FDA.
<u>Packing Vaccines for Transport during Emergencies</u>	Quick reference to help prepare for vaccine transportation in the event of an emergency.
<u>Vaccine Storage Quick Reference</u>	Immunize.org reference for use with vaccines approved in the U.S.

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LINKS TO VACCINE MANUFACTURERS

<https://www.merckvaccines.com/is-bin/INTERSHOP.enfinity?WFS/Merck-MerckVaccines-Site>

770 Sumneytown Pike
WP97-A303
West Point, PA 19486-0004
Phone: 877-829-6372

Merck:

<http://www.gsk.com/>

Research Triangle Park, NC 27709
Phone: 866-475-8222

GSK:

<http://www.pfizer.com/home/>

235 East 42nd St
New York, NY 10017
Phone: 800-505-4426

Pfizer:

<http://www.sanofipasteur.com/en/>

Discovery Drive
Swiftwater, PA 18370
Phone: 800-822-2463

Sanofi Pasteur:

<http://www.seqirus-us.com/>

25 Deforest Ave
Summit, NJ 07901
Phone: 855-358-8966
Email: customerservice.us@seqirus.com

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<https://www.astrazeneca-us.com/>

One MedImmune Way
Gaithersburg, MD 20878
Phone: 1-800-221-1638

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<https://www.dynavax.com/>

2929 Seventh Street, Ste 100
Berkley, CA 94710
Phone: 877-848-5100
Email: contact@dynavax.com

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ATTACHMENTS

Miss. Code Ann. § 41-23-37

§ 41-23-37. Immunization practices for control of vaccine preventable diseases; school attendance by unvaccinated children.

Whenever indicated, the state health officer shall specify such immunization practices as may be considered best for the control of vaccine preventable diseases. A listing shall be promulgated annually or more often, if necessary.

Except as provided hereinafter, it shall be unlawful for any child to attend any school, kindergarten or similar type facility intended for the instruction of children (hereinafter called "schools"), either public or private, with the exception of any legitimate home instruction program as defined in Section 37-13-91, Mississippi Code of 1972, for ten (10) or less children who are related within the third degree computed according to the civil law to the operator, unless they shall first have been vaccinated against those diseases specified by the state health officer.

A certificate of exemption from vaccination for medical reasons may be offered on behalf of a child by a duly licensed physician and may be accepted by the local health officer when, in his opinion, such exemption will not cause undue risk to the community.

Certificates of vaccination shall be issued by local health officers or physicians on forms specified by the Mississippi State Board of Health. These forms shall be the only acceptable means for showing compliance with these immunization requirements, and the responsible school officials shall file the form with the child's record.

If a child shall offer to enroll at a school without having completed the required vaccinations, the local health officer may grant a period of time up to ninety (90) days for such completion when, in the opinion of the health officer, such delay will not cause undue risk to the child, the school or the community. No child shall be enrolled without having had at least one (1) dose of each specified vaccine.

Within thirty (30) days after the opening of the fall term of school (on or before October 1 of each year) the person in charge of each school shall report to the county or local health officer, on forms provided by the Mississippi State Board of Health, the number of children enrolled by age or grade or both, the number fully vaccinated, the number in process of completing vaccination requirements, and the number exempt from vaccination by reason for such exemption.

Within one hundred twenty (120) days after the opening of the fall term (on or before December 31), the person in charge of each school shall certify to the local or county health officer that all children enrolled are in compliance with immunization requirements.

For the purpose of assisting in supervising the immunization status of the children the local health officer, or his designee, may inspect the children's records or be furnished certificates of immunization compliance by the school.

It shall be the responsibility of the person in charge of each school to enforce the requirements for immunization. Any child not in compliance at the end of ninety (90) days from the opening of the fall term must be suspended until in compliance, unless

the health officer shall attribute the delay to lack of supply of vaccine or some other such factor clearly making compliance impossible.

Failure to enforce provisions of this section shall constitute a misdemeanor and upon conviction be punishable by fine or imprisonment or both.

Miss. Code Ann. § 41-88-3

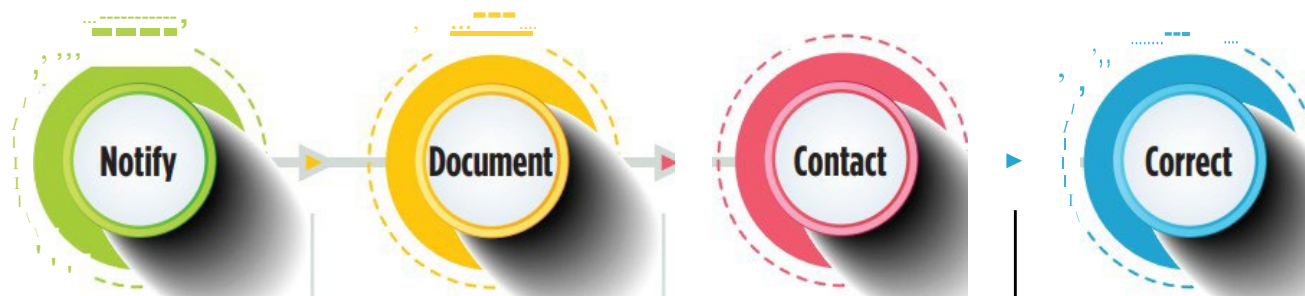
§ 41-88-3. Administration of child vaccination program by State Department of Health; duties; responsibilities.

(1) The State Department of Health is responsible for assuring that all children in the state are appropriately immunized against vaccine-preventable diseases. In order to improve the state's immunization levels in children, the State Department of Health shall enhance current immunization activities and focus on children receiving all recommended immunizations by twenty-four (24) months of age. The immunizations shall be administered according to the recommendations of the national Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP). The administration of vaccine shall not be delayed due to a reluctance of the health-care provider to administer multiple immunizations in a visit. The department shall improve parent compliance and provide more timely scheduling, recall and follow-up in order to achieve national and state immunization level goals.

(2) The State Department of Health shall establish a statewide childhood immunization registry to which all health-care providers will report the administration of childhood immunizations. The State Board of Health will promulgate rules and regulations needed to implement this section. The department shall make information regarding the immunization status of children in the registry available to the parents/guardians of the child, health-care providers and individuals or organizations that are required to report on the immunizations status of children in their care.

Handling a Temperature Excursion in Your Vaccine Storage Unit

Any temperature reading outside ranges recommended in the manufacturers' package inserts is considered a temperature excursion. Identify temperature excursions quickly and take immediate action to correct them. This can prevent vaccine waste and the potential need to revaccinate patients.



- » Notify the primary or alternate vaccine coordinator immediately or report the problem to a supervisor.
- » Notify staff by labeling exposed vaccines, "DO NOT USE," and placing them in a separate container apart from other vaccines in the storage unit. Do not discard these vaccines.

- » Document details of the temperature excursion:

Date and time
Storage unit temperature (including minimum/maximum temperatures during the time of the event, if available)
Room temperature, if available
Name of the person completing the report
General description of the event (i.e., what happened)

If using a digital data logger (DDL), determine the length of time vaccine may have been affected
Inventory of affected vaccines
List of items in the unit other than vaccines (including water bottles)

Any problems with the storage unit and/or affected vaccines before the event
Other relevant information

- » Contact your immunization program and/or vaccine manufacturer(s) for guidance per your standard operating procedures (SOPs).
- » Be prepared to provide the immunization program or manufacturer with documentation and DDL data so they can offer you the best guidance.

Contact manufacturer

for excursions:

Dynavax	1-844-375-4728
GlaxoSmithKline	1-888-825-5249
Massachusetts Biological Labs	1-888-825-5249
MedImmune	1-877-633-4411
Merck	1-800-672-6372
Pfizer	1-800-438-1985
Sanofi Pasteur	1-800-822-2463
Seqirus	1-855-358-8966

- » If the temperature alarm goes off repeatedly, do not disconnect the alarm until you have determined and addressed the cause.
- » Check the basics, including:
 - Power supply
 - Unit door(s)
 - Thermostat settings
- » If the excursion was the result of a temperature fluctuation, refer to the section, "Vaccine Storage and Temperature Monitoring Equipment," in CDC's *Vaccine Storage and Handling Toolkit* for detailed guidance on adjusting storage unit temperature to the appropriate range.
- » If you believe the storage unit has failed, implement your emergency vaccine storage and handling SOPs. Never allow vaccines to remain in a nonfunctioning unit following a temperature excursion.



U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH
VFC VACCINE LIST

VACCINE	BRAND NAME / TRADE NAME	NDC	PACKAGING	MANUFACTURER
DTaP	Daptacel®	49281-0286-10	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
DTaP	Infanrix®	58160-0810-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
DTaP-IPV	Quadracel™	49281-0564-15	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Sanofi Pasteur
DTaP-IPV	Kinrix®	58160-0812-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
DTaP-Hep B-IPV	Pediarix®	58160-0811-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
DTaP-IP-HI	Pentacel®	49281-0511-05	5 pack – 1 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
DTaP-IPV-HIB-HEPB	Vaxelis™	63361-0243-15	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
e-IPV	IPOL®	49281-0860-10	1 pack – 10 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
Hepatitis A Pediatric	Vaqta®	00006-4095-02	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
Hepatitis A Pediatric	Havrix®	58160-0825-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
Hepatitis A-Hepatitis B 18 only	Twinrix®	58160-0815-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
Hepatitis B Pediatric/Adolescent	Engerix B®	58160-0820-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
Hepatitis B Pediatric/Adolescent	Recombivax HB®	00006-4093-02	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
Hib	PedvaxHIB®	00006-4897-00	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Merck
Hib	ActHIB®	49281-0545-03	5 pack – 1 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
Hib	Hiberix®	58160-0726-15	10 pack – 1 dose vial	GlaxoSmithKline
HPV – Human Papillomavirus 9-valent	Gardasil®9	00006-4121-02	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
MENB – Meningococcal Group B	Trumenba®	00005-0100-10	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Pfizer
MENB – Meningococcal Group B	Bexsero®	58160-0976-20	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
Meningococcal Conjugate (Groups A, C, W and Y)	MenQuadfi™	49281-0590-10	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
Meningococcal Conjugate (Groups A, C, Y and W-135)	Menveo® one-vial	58160-0827-30	10 pack – 1 dose vial	GlaxoSmithKline
Meningococcal Conjugate (Groups A, C, Y and W-135)	Menveo® two-vial	58160-0955-09	5 pack – 1 dose vial	GlaxoSmithKline

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VACCINE	BRAND NAME / TRADE NAME	NDC	PACKAGING	MANUFACTURER
Meningococcal (Groups A, B, C, W and Y-135)	Penbraya™	00069-0600-01	1 pack – 1 dose vial	Pfizer
		00069-0600-05	5 pack – 1 dose vial	
Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	M-M-R®II	00006-4681-00	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Merck
Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	Priorix	58160-0824-15	10 pack – 1 dose vial	GlaxoSmithKline
MMR/Varicella	ProQuad®	00006-4171-00	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Merck
MPOX	Jynneos™	50632-0001-03	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Bavarian Nordic
Pneumococcal15-valent	Vaxneuvance™	00006-4329-03	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
Pneumococcal15-valent	Prevnar 20™	00005-2000-10	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Pfizer
Pneumococcal Polysaccharide (23 Valent)	Pneumovax®23	00006-4837-03	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Merck
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Beyfortus™ (100mg)	49281-0574-15	5 pack – 1 dose syringe	Sanofi Pasteur
	Beyfortus™ (50mg)	49281-0575-15	5 pack – 1 dose syringe	
Respiratory Syncytial Virus (RSV)	Abrysvo™	00069-0344-01	1 pack – 1 dose vial	Pfizer
Rotavirus, Live, Oral, Pentavalent	RotaTeq®	00006-4047-41	10 pack – 1 oral dose	Merck
		00006-4047-20	25 pack – 1 oral dose	
Rotavirus, Live, Oral, Oral	Rotarix®	58160-0740-21	10 pack – 1 oral dose	GlaxoSmithKline
Tetanus and Diphtheria Toxoids	Tenivac®	49281-0215-15	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	Sanofi Pasteur
		49281-0215-10	10 pack – 1 dose vial	
Tetanus Toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria Toxoid and Acellular Pertussis	Boostrix®	58160-0842-52	10 pack – 1 dose syringe	GlaxoSmithKline
Tetanus Toxoid, Reduced Diphtheria Toxoid and Acellular Pertussis	Adacel®	49281-0400-10	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Sanofi Pasteur
		49281-0400-20	5 pack – 1 dose syringe	
Varicella	Varivax®	00006-4827-00	10 pack – 1 dose vial	Merck

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Quick Guide to VFC Eligibility				
Child's Insurance status		VFC Eligibility Category	VFC VACCINE	PRIVATE VACCINE
MEDICAID	Enrolled in Medicaid	Medicaid	X	
	Primary insurance plan with Medicaid as secondary insurance	Medicaid - Administer VFC vaccines and bill Medicaid for the administration fee. This option is preferred as it provides the least out-of-pocket expense for the family.	X	
	Health insurance covers all vaccines, but has not yet met plan's deductible or paid for other services received at visit AND has Medicaid as secondary insurance	Medicaid	X	
	Has Medicaid and is American Indian/Alaska Native	Medicaid or American Indian/Alaska Native - Selecting Medicaid is least expensive option for the family since the administration fee can be billed to Medicaid.	X	
AI/AN	American Indian (AI) / Alaska Native (AN)	American Indian / Alaska Native	X	
	American Indian / Alaska Native with no health insurance coverage	American Indian / Alaska Native	X	
	American Indian / Alaska Native with health insurance coverage	American Indian / Alaska Native	X	
Uninsured	Has no health insurance coverage	Uninsured ¹	X	
	Enrolled in a Health Care Sharing Ministry	Uninsured. ¹ Mississippi does not consider medical sharing plans as an insurance.	X	
Underinsured ³	Has health insurance but plan does not cover any vaccines	Underinsured ^{1, 2, 3}	X	
	Has health insurance plan that does not cover all ACIP-recommended vaccines	Underinsured ^{1, 2, 3}	X	
	Has health insurance covering all vaccines but the plan has a fixed dollar limit or cap on amount of coverage	Insured until the fixed dollar limit is met. Underinsured after the fixed dollar limit has been met. ^{1, 2, 3}	X	X
Birthing Hospitals	Mother has Medicaid	Medicaid	X	
	Mother is underinsured or uninsured	Uninsured ¹ or Underinsured ^{1, 2, 3} (see above)	X	
	Mother is insured	Insured		X
Insured - NOT VFC Eligible	Has health insurance covering all vaccines but has not yet met plan's deductible or paid for other services received at visit.	Insured - Not VFC Eligible. This applies even when reimbursement is denied for the cost of the vaccine and its administration because the plan's deductible has not been met.		X

¹. Provider may charge an administration fee per vaccine at the time of service. See *MS Vaccines for Children Handbook* for current administration fee.

². Before administering a vaccine, providers must verify if the child's health insurance plan covers ACIP-recommended vaccines. If the provider cannot verify vaccination coverage, the child is considered insured and not eligible to receive VFC vaccines at the immunization encounter.

³. Eligible to receive vaccines only if they are served by a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC), Rural Health Clinic (RHC) or Local Public Health Agency (LPHA)