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## Immunization Program

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IN YOUR PRACTICE**

**TO: All Users of State Supplied Vaccine**  
**FROM: Mick Bolduc-Vaccine Coordinator, Connecticut Vaccine Program**  
**DATE: January 4, 2013**  
**SUBJECT: Expansion of 13-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV13)**

The primary purpose of this communication is to remind providers that the Connecticut Vaccine Program will be making PCV13 available for all children 2-71 months of age beginning March 1, 2013.

### **Expansion of 13-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine (PCV 13)**

In February 2010 PCV 13 vaccine was licensed to replace PCV 7 for routine immunization of all children 2-15 months of age. PCV 13 is recommended to be administered in a 4 dose series at 2, 4, 6 and 12-15 months of age. For those children who received an age appropriate series of PCV 7, a single dose of PCV 13 is recommended for all children 14-59 months of age as well as for children 60-71 months of age with underlying medical conditions that increase their risk for pneumococcal disease or complications. A complete listing of the recommendations for PCV13 use in children is available at:

<http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm5909a2.htm>

**Beginning March 1, 2013 providers can begin to use state supplied PCV 13 for all children 2-71 months of age regardless of insurance status.** Providers should plan on using up all their private stock of PCV13 by February 28, 2013. Providers should also plan on placing a sufficiently sized PCV13 order with the Connecticut Vaccine Program in early February that will enable them to adequately vaccinate all eligible patients in their practice starting March 1<sup>st</sup>.

Enclosed is an updated eligibility criteria grid dated March 1, 2013. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (860) 509-7940.

**Connecticut Vaccine Program**  
**Eligibility Criteria for vaccines as of March 1, 2013**

Vaccine	Age Group	Status of Children VFC and State Supplied Vaccine				CPT Code(s)
		VFC Eligible <sup>1</sup>	Non-VFC Eligible Privately Insured <sup>2</sup>	Non-VFC Eligible Under-Insured <sup>2</sup>	S-CHIP <sup>2</sup>	
Hepatitis B	Newborns in hospital Children 0-18 years	YES YES	YES YES	YES YES	YES YES	<b>90744</b> <b>90744</b>
Varicella (Doses 1 & 2)	12 months-18 years <sup>3</sup>	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90716</b>
Td	7-18 years <sup>4</sup>	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90714</b>
MMR (Doses 1 & 2)	12 months-18 years College entry (any age)	YES YES	YES YES	YES YES	YES YES	<b>90707</b> <b>90707</b>
MMRV (Doses 1 & 2)	12 months-12 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90710</b>
DTaP	2 months – 6 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90700</b>
Hib	2-59 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90647, 90648</b>
Hib/Hep B	2-15 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90748</b>
IPV	2 months-18 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90713</b>
DTaP/IPV	4-6 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90696</b>
DTaP/IPV/Hep B	2-83 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90723</b>
DTaP/IPV/Hib	2-59 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90698</b>
Meningococcal Conjugate Dose 1	11-18 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90734</b>
Dose 2	16-18 years	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90734</b>
Tdap	7-18 years <sup>5</sup>	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90715</b>
Pneumococcal Conjugate (PCV13)	2-71 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90670</b>
Influenza	6-59 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90655, 90656</b> <b>90660</b>
	5-18 years	YES	<b>NO</b>	YES	YES	<b>90656, 90660</b>
Hepatitis A	12-23 months	YES	YES	YES	YES	<b>90633</b>
	2-18 years	YES	<b>NO</b>	YES	YES	<b>90633</b>
Rotavirus	6 weeks-8 months	YES	<b>NO</b>	YES	YES	<b>90680, 90681</b>
HPV (males & females)	9-18 years	YES	<b>NO</b>	YES	YES	<b>90649, 90650</b>

1 VFC eligibility is defined as follows: (a) Medicaid enrolled; (b) NO health insurance; (c) American Indian or Alaskan native; or (d) underinsured seen at a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC).

2 Non-VFC children refers to patients who have private insurance that covers the cost of immunizations, patients that are under-insured for some or all vaccines seen by a private provider; and S-CHIP children- those children enrolled in HUSKY B.

3 Susceptible children who do not have a clinical history of chicken pox.

4 Td vaccine can be given to children 7-18 years of age to complete their primary series, or to those children 7-18 years of age who are in need of a Tetanus containing vaccine and cannot receive Tdap.

5 Tdap vaccine should be administered routinely to children at the 11-12 year old preventive health care visit, and to children 7-10 years old who have not been fully vaccinated against pertussis and for whom no contraindication to pertussis containing vaccine exists.

**As of March 1, 2013 the only recommended childhood vaccines not available from the Connecticut Vaccine Program are: Influenza for privately insured patients 5-18 years of age; Hepatitis A for privately insured patients 2-18 years of age; Rotavirus for privately insured patients 6 weeks-8 months of age; and HPV for privately insured patients 9-18 years of age. For those vaccines providers can purchase them privately and submit billing requests to the appropriate private insurer in accordance with normal billing procedures.**

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