

Rollout of the new Vaccine Inventory Management System (VIMS) has begun! Over the next few months, the Immunization Program staff will enroll, train and transition all VFC/VFA providers to VIMS. This system will replace VTrckS for vaccine ordering and all related reporting. All VFC/VFA providers will be required to use VIMS to order state-supplied vaccine. The implementation of VIMS represents a major change that will provide better vaccine management and improve vaccine ordering operations throughout the state.

What can I do now?

Ensure you can log on to the Vermont Immunization Registry (IMR). VIMS is accessed through the IMR, so you'll only have to manage one password for both the IMR and VIMS. If you do not already have access to the IMR, visit the [IMR website](#) and complete a Confidentiality Agreement or call (888) 688-4667.

What can I expect?

You will be contacted to schedule a 45-minute phone training with Immunization Program staff. During this interactive session, you will reconcile your inventory, enter any returns, wastage or transfers and place your first order. You will also be introduced to the reporting features in VIMS.

The Immunization Program will upload your VTrckS Inventory on Hand into VIMS for you. We will email you a copy of the inventory one week prior to your transition. It is important that you use the emailed data to take an inventory count so that you will have real data when entering your first order and supporting documents. Plan on taking an inventory count a day or two before your scheduled one-on-one training.

We recommend that you review the training materials ahead of your scheduled training, which will be posted to the [Vaccine Ordering](#) page of the Health Department website as they become available.

What if I need to place a vaccine order before my scheduled training?

Continue to order vaccine based on your assigned order schedule. We've scheduled the timing of your training and transition to coincide with your assigned order schedule. Please email the Immunization Program at AHS.VDHIImmunizationProgram@vermont.gov if you need to place a vaccine order outside of your scheduled order period.

Do I still need to fax paper temperature logs with my order?

No. Beginning August 1st, VFC/VFA practices are no longer required to fax paper temperature logs with vaccine orders; rather, monthly submission of data logger downloads is required. An email, dated 7/20/17, was sent to all vaccine contacts informing them of this change.

Will I still need to access VTrckS?

You should continue to use VTrckS until you receive training on VIMS. After VIMS training your access to VTrckS will be removed.