

COVID 19 Vaccine Commercialization Transition Guidance

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SUNSETTING THE US GOVERNMENT COVID-19 VACCINE DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM

This past June, COVID-19 vaccine manufacturers were informed by FDA and ACIP of updated COVID-19 vaccine composition recommendations. The **expected availability** of these monovalent XBB 1.5 composition vaccines is projected to be the middle to the end of September 2023.

While many individuals may wait to receive a COVID-19 vaccine until the updated version is released, certain people may need or desire a COVID 19 vaccine prior to the anticipated release of the updated vaccine in the fall. While overall demand for the current vaccine has significantly decreased in the general population, it is important that access points to the current vaccines remain available across all age groups. For current CDC recommendations see [Interim Clinical Considerations for Use of COVID-19 Vaccines | CDC](#)

In order for manufacturers to transition to production of the new vaccine, distribution of the current version will stop **Providers should request, in VIMS, all COVID-19 vaccines needed through middle to the end of September by close of business on August 1st.**

Whenever possible, even if some waste will occur, place an order meeting the Distributor minimum (and multiples) number of doses to receive a direct shipment That's 180 doses for Pfizer for age 12+, and 100 doses for all other products.

To receive more limited quantities of COVID-19 vaccine, the Health Department Depot will continue to make deliveries during August (submit VIM requests by Thursdays at 4pm, for delivery the following week) until supply is exhausted or no longer authorized for administration.

If you have any questions please contact us at AHS.VDHImmunizationProgram@vermont.gov

Thank you.

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Acronyms:

ACIP Advisory Committee on Immunization Practice

COCA: Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity

CDC Center for Disease Control

PCP: Primary Care Provider

VIMS Vaccine Inventory Management System

VVP: Vermont Vaccine Program – includes both VAVP and VCVF

VAVP Vermont Adult Vaccine Program

VCVP: Vermont Children's Vaccine Program



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