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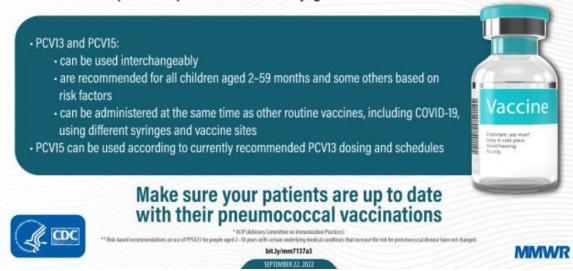
Starting December 1st, PCV15 (Vaxneuvance, Merck) will be available for pediatric use, replacing PCV13 (Prevnar13, Pfizer) in VIMS.

- The ACIP did not make a preferential recommendation for PCV13 over PCV15 for pediatric use. PCV13 is being removed from VIMS to streamline practice inventory management.
- Beginning December 1st, PCV15 for pediatric use will be added to all VCVP catalogs, and PCV13 will no longer be available to order. Please use the remaining PCV13 product you have on hand before ordering PCV15.
- Follow your routine ordering schedule. Order PCV15 for pediatric use with all other routine vaccines when needed.



PCV15 Resources

ACIP* recommends 15-valent pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV15) as an option for pneumococcal conjugate vaccination of children**



<u>Use of 15-Valent Pneumococcal Conjugate Vaccine Among U.S. Children:</u> <u>Updated Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization</u> <u>Practices – United States, 2022 | MMWR (cdc.gov)</u>

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Acronyms: ACIP: Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices COCA: Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity CDC: Centers for Disease Control PCP: Primary Care Provider VIMS: Vaccine Inventory Management System VVP: Vermont Vaccine Program – includes both VAVP and VCVP VAVP: Vermont Adult Vaccine Program VCVP: Vermont Children's Vaccine Program



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