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## RE News: New Enrollment Process, Provider Accountability and Suspensions (What You Should Know), and More



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**TVFC/ASN New Enrollment Process**

Providers are now submitting new enrollments in Syntropi. For detailed instructions and steps for how to start a new enrollment, and complete the rest of the enrollment process, [click here to learn more.](#)



### Provider Accountability and Suspensions: What You Should Know

As a Responsible Entity (RE), you are regularly building and leveraging your relationship with providers to offer support and accountability for program requirements. If you find that a provider is operating outside of the TVFC Program Agreement or accountability requirements, then an enrolled site may temporarily lose program privileges and be placed on suspension. [Read more](#) about common reasons for suspensions.



### The Vaccine Allocation and Ordering System (VAOS) Training Quiz Now Available

A new training quiz is available for Texas Vaccines for Children (TVFC) and Adult Safety Net (ASN) vaccine coordinators covering the use of the Vaccine Allocation and Ordering System (VAOS). The quiz is required for both the primary and backup coordinators listed on **new enrollments**, or for **new facilities that have a change in coordinator(s)** on an existing enrollment. [More here.](#)



### IQIP Strategy Three: Give a Strong Vaccine Recommendation

The third IQIP Core Strategy focuses on giving a strong vaccine recommendation, which plays a vital role in ensuring children and adolescents are properly vaccinated. As an RE, you play a vital role in working with providers to ensure children and adolescents receive vaccinations on time.

[Click here for several strategies](#) you can implement to ensure a strong vaccine recommendation is provided to parents and patients.

### Learn the latest.



### Events

- MAY** Hepatitis Awareness Month
- MAY 6-12** National Nurses Week
- MAY 8-14** National Women's Health Week
- MAY 19** National Hepatitis Testing Day
- MAY 20** Texas Perinatal Hepatitis B Virtual Summit
- JUN 14-15** Texas Immunization Conference

## Open-Ordering for Flu Vaccine is Ending May 23rd, 2022

**May 23, 2022** will be the last day to order influenza vaccine for the current 2021-2022 flu season and will not be available for order again until the Fall of 2022. If providers need to order flu vaccines after this date, you should expect they will contact their Responsible Entity.

## Increasing Vaccine Coverage

Did you know that many US adults are missing routine vaccinations that prevent diseases and disabilities? The Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) has made a call to action for all healthcare providers to make vaccinations a critical part of their healthcare routine. Providing patients with key information about the benefits of vaccinations is critical in increasing coverage in Texas. For more information about this call to action for decreasing illnesses, hospitalizations, and death caused by vaccine-preventable diseases, [click here](#).

## May Is Hepatitis Awareness Month

The month of May is designated as Hepatitis Awareness Month in the United States, and May 19th is Hepatitis Testing Day. During May, CDC and public health partners work to shed light on the impact of these hidden epidemics by raising awareness of viral hepatitis while encouraging testing and vaccination. Read more about key facts and information about how to get involved [here](#).



The banner features the Texas Health and Human Services logo on the left. In the center is a circular logo for the Texas Perinatal Hepatitis B Summit, showing a silhouette of a woman and child. To the right, the text reads: **Texas Perinatal Hepatitis B Virtual Summit**, **May 20, 2022**, **9am to 4pm (CST)**. Below this, it says: **Hear experts recommend strategies to prevent and decrease Hepatitis B and improve care for perinatal Hepatitis B.**

## 2022-2023 Schoolyear Vaccine Requirements

The 2022-2023 schoolyear will be starting before we know it! Schools and childcare facilities need to be reminded of the vaccine requirements for children enrolled in their facilities. The 2022-2023 vaccine requirements are linked on the School Immunizations [homepage](#). The 2022-2023 letters to parents and superintendents are currently undergoing revision and translation. They will be posted under the [Forms and Publications](#) section of the School Immunizations website as soon as they are available.

## National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) Standards for Adult Immunizations Practices: Administer and Refer

One of the best ways to maximize adult vaccination coverage is to follow the National Vaccine Advisory Committee (NVAC) [Standards for Adult Immunization Practices](#). These Standards promote strategies to help healthcare providers ensure that all of their patients are provided the opportunity to be fully vaccinated. More information about the standards should be implemented by all healthcare professionals to ensure patient populations become fully immunized can be found [here](#).

## Video Series: Embracing Vaccines for All Texans

DSHS has collaborated with providers to discuss the importance of delivering immunization services.

Please watch "Embracing Vaccines for All Texans" videos as we work to empower the community through vaccine education and promote disease prevention efforts for historically underserved populations.

- Showcase: [Embracing Vaccines for All Texans](#)
- Password: EveryDoseMatters!

*Please note: These videos are only intended for healthcare providers, local health departments and public health regions, not the general public.*

After viewing the videos, please take the [1-minute survey](#) to help DSHS improve our educational materials.

Thank you for your efforts in providing vaccinations for all!

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