

VACCINE DEPOT TRANSITION

Upcoming changes in how state-supplied vaccine will be distributed to Alaska providers

Webinar- Friday, June 16th at 10am

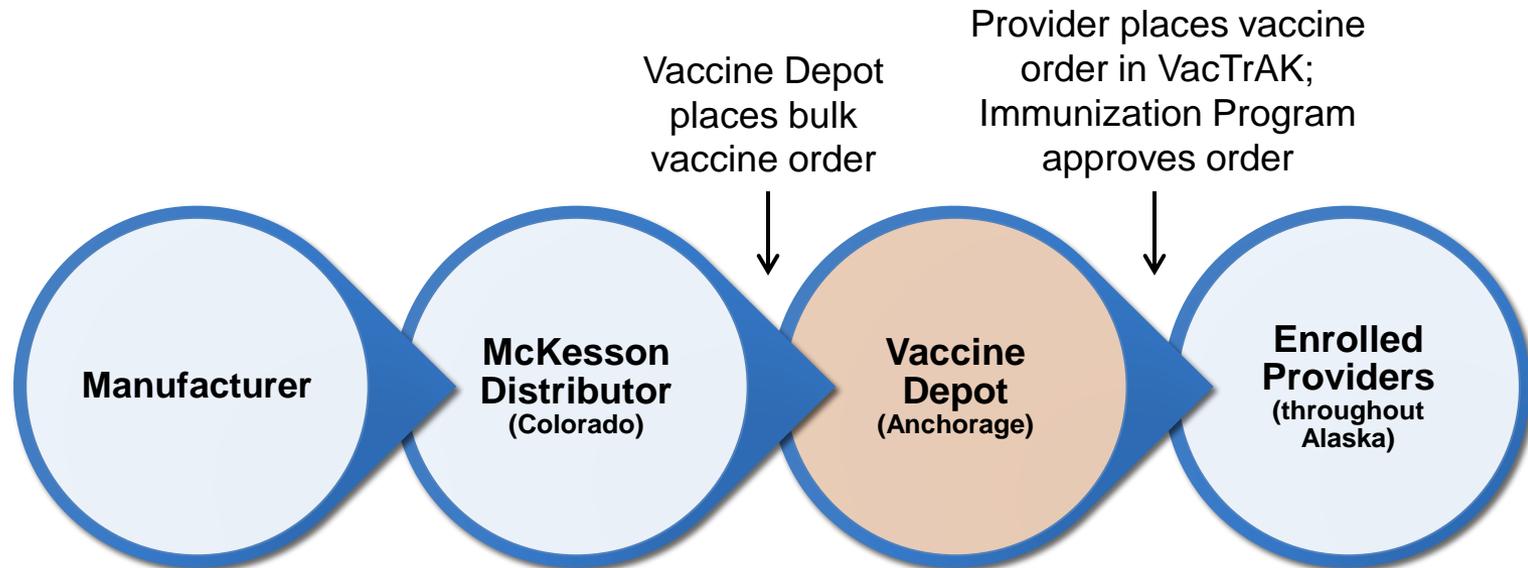


Change in Vaccine Distribution

- The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) is changing how state-supplied vaccine is distributed in Alaska
- State-supplied vaccine **will be distributed** to Alaska medical providers **by McKesson Distributor**
 - McKesson is a national vaccine distributor located in Aurora, Colorado
 - McKesson distributes all vaccine purchased through the CDC's discounted vaccine contract
- When? Summer 2017



Current Vaccine Distribution



New Vaccine Distribution

Provider places vaccine order in VacTrAK;
Immunization Program approves order and sends to McKesson



Why Change Vaccine Distribution?

- All other states utilize McKesson for distribution of public vaccine
 - Transitioned from state depots to centralized distribution 10+ years ago
- Recent increased efficiencies in McKesson's shipping and cold-chain management
- Increased burden on Vaccine Depot to manage shipping logistics and ensure cold-chain management
- Reallocation of limited Immunization Program staff time and resources
- Cost of spoiled and wasted vaccine during transit will be incurred by CDC, not the Immunization Program

What Remains Unchanged

- Ability to communicate with all Immunization Program staff
- Same vaccine formulary offered by the Immunization Program
- Place orders in VacTrAK
- Track order status in VacTrAK
 - In Manual Review, Pending State Approval, Approved and Shipped
 - Tracking number
- Manage inventory in VacTrAK
- Submit returns in VacTrAK
- Receive frozen vaccines from Merck via UPS
- Tribal hub facilities redistribute to villages

What Will Change

- No email notifications from Depot when order is shipped
 - Tracking numbers and order status will update in VacTrAK
- Temperature inside shipment will be monitored by Freeze and Warm paper markers instead of a LogTag
- Vaccine is delivered via **FedEx**® or  contractor directly to provider facility
 - Please fill out survey on FedEx and UPS in your community
- Vaccine packed in 3-day (72 hour) pack-outs
 - Very important to track your shipment
 - Email CDC and Immunization Program if shipment arrives after 3 days
- Spoiled vaccine doses will be mailed to McKesson via 
 - A postage-paid address label for the box will be provided to you

Benefits

- Vaccine will be delivered directly to your facility
- Shipment tracking number in VacTrAK
- No transport LogTag to mail back to the Depot
- Longer vaccine expiration dates
- No postage cost for vaccine returns
- More Immunization Program staff time can be devoted to quality assurance and education



Timeline- February through June

- Immunization Program's collaboration with CDC and McKesson
- Communication with providers
 - Regional Workshops- March and April
 - Spring Immune News Newsletter- May 23rd
 - Email announcement- June 6th and 15th
 - Survey on FedEx and UPS in your community- due June 16th
 - Webinar- June 16th
 - Creating instructions
 - How to order from two order sets during transition
 - How to track and receive in a shipment
 - How to request a reshipment
 - How to receive a postage-paid address label for vaccine returns



Timeline- June through August

- Shipments
 - As the Depot reduces stock, providers will receive vaccine from both McKesson and Depot
 - Two order sets
 - Depot order set
 - McKesson order set
 - Transition start date and more detailed instructions will be emailed
- Vaccine returns
 - Continue to mail to Depot for now
 - Will start mailing returns to McKesson in August



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QUESTIONS?

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