

Nevada's Pediatric Providers,

Pfizer's BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine has been approved for adolescents ages 12 years and up. It is expected that the minimum age requirement for COVID vaccine administration recommendation will be decreasing to include ages 5 years old to 11 years old in early November. The Nevada State Immunization Program (NSIP) is preparing for this new recommendation and is inviting all pediatric providers in Nevada to enroll in the COVID-19 Vaccine Program. There are many options available for providers to receive smaller quantities of vaccine than the manufacturers minimum dose order. These options include:

- Local redistribution from the NSIP or another enrolled provider
- Vaccine pickup from a Local Health Authority
- Pharmacy pickup from a local pharmacy enrolled in the states Pharmacy Depot Program

If planning to use either of the pickup options, the providers office must have a portable digital data logger as well as a portable cooler that can maintain the vaccines temperature during travel.

In order to enroll in the program, a provider must meet key requirements. These requirements are listed below:

- *Stand-alone refrigerator (no kitchen combination units and no refrigerator units that have any freezer component attached in any way unless there is a compressor for each unit) with a certified digital data logger (state can provide the datalogger [DDL] if one is needed)*
- *Temperatures of the vaccine storage unit must be checked twice a day on business days. Temperature data must be sent to the state every month on the first business day.*
- *Two separate vaccine coordinators must be enrolled for data and vaccine management.*
- *The vaccine coordinators must report the vaccine inventory **daily** to Vaccine Finder. That is every day regardless of provider business hours– Monday thru Sunday per the CDC*
- *Vaccine inventory must be reconciled in NV WEBIZ the first **Friday** of every month.*
- *Vaccine administration must be documented in NV WEBIZ **within 24 hours** of administration.*
- *The COVID-19 vaccines are reactogenic. Provider offices must be prepared, equipped, and trained to handle anaphylaxis in patients.*

For providers interested in enrolling with the state's COVID-19 Vaccine Program, please email your provider name and contact information to DPBH-AVARS@health.nv.gov.