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Re: Changes to homebound and insurance acceptance for COVID-19 Vaccination

Dear Stanislaus County Providers,

In response to community need during the COVID-19 pandemic, Stanislaus County Public Health (PH) stood up many services including those to ensure vaccine access for all regardless of insurance. With the end of the emergency phase of the COVID-19 pandemic, PH is transitioning back to our non-emergency operations, returning staff to their pre-pandemic work such as preventing infant mortality, chronic diseases, and other communicable diseases.

We realize this will impact some of you which is why we are providing this advance notice. **Effective June 30, 2022, PH will no longer provide COVID-19 vaccination for 1. people who are homebound, and 2. for people who have private insurance.** As always, to ensure equitable vaccine access, PH will continue to provide COVID-19 vaccines to those who qualify for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program and those who are uninsured. With the pending approval of COVID-19 vaccination for those 6 monthsfour years estimated for mid-June, a one-month grace period specific to this age eligibility will be honored to ensure all parents who desire vaccination immediately will have access. This grace period will end July 31, 2022.

Now is the time for all our county providers who are not enrolled in the State's COVID-19 Vaccination Program to visit <a href="https://eziz.org/covid/">https://eziz.org/covid/</a> to begin the onboarding process. If you have any enrollment or vaccine management questions, please contact Public Health for assistance by emailing <a href="mailto:c19vaccinereq@schsa.org">c19vaccinereq@schsa.org</a>. Assistance is also available for vaccine inventory and management for those who are enrolled but have yet to order vaccines. We do want this to be a smooth transition for the patients you serve and hope you'll reach out to us if we can help you be prepared.

Thank you for your dedication and service to protect the health and well-being of all people in Stanislaus County. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

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