



PROVIDER *bulletin*

*****UPDATE*****

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Dear Provider:

This is an update from the last bulletins sent. The California Public Health Department has updated their guidance regarding the spacing of administration of the COVID-19 vaccine and other vaccines, including the influenza vaccine. The previous recommendation was to separate by 14 days as that was how the studies were conducted. That stipulation has been changed. The new recommendations may be viewed at the links below.

From the California Department of Public Health:

COVID-19 Vaccine Coadministration with Other Vaccines

The California Department of Public Health (CDPH) has issued [guidance on coadministration of COVID-19 vaccines with other vaccines](#). The guidance states: **COVID-19 vaccines and other vaccines may be administered without regard to timing.**

The Board of Pharmacy urges licensees to read the CDPH guidance online at <https://eziz.org/assets/docs/COVID19/IMM-1385.pdf>.

Identify eligible members by checking the CAIR website for vaccination based on current ACIP guidelines. Factors taken into consideration will include:

- Age
- vaccination status e.g. persons previously vaccinated or due for a vaccination according to the recommended schedule
- the presence of a medical condition that puts them at high risk.

After administering the vaccine, please record the encounter with the CAIR website. Further details on pharmacy billing and eligibility requirements for administering vaccines are outlined in Policy 13.07-P.

More information on the two programs may be found at the following links.

California Immunization Registry (CAIR) Website: <http://cairweb.org>

Vaccines for Children (VFC) Website: www.eziz.org

Thank you for helping to take care of our members and performing the important and appreciated services you provide day in and day out.

Sincerely,

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