Universal Hepatitis B Vaccination Program for Newborns

To encourage the immunization of all newborns with the birth dose of hepatitis B vaccine, MDHHS makes vaccine available with state and federal funding to hospitals for all newborns born in Michigan. The vaccine is available for all newborns for the first dose, regardless of eligibility status. There is no charge to the provider or to the parents of the newborn for this vaccine.

Universal Hepatitis B providers must enroll and re-enroll into this program just like any other VFC provider. All VFC requirements regarding storage of VFC vaccine must be followed. A VFC compliance visit is required by CDC every other year (at minimum).

If you are interested in participating in this program, the enrollment link can be found on your Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) Homepage under VFC Program:



Fill out all the required information and submit the enrollment for processing. Someone from the local health department within your county will contact you with more information and next steps.

Hospitals are required to report hepatitis B vaccinations to the MCIR. The easiest way to submit this data is to note the immunization on the electronic birth certificate (EBC). The data may also be provided to the MCIR by other methods. Hospitals must use MCIR VIM and order Hepatitis B vaccine through MCIR E-ordering.

Birthing facilities who have their hepatitis B policies in place and have provided Hepatitis B vaccine to more than 90% of their babies may be eligible to enroll in the Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll. By enrolling, your facility will be recognized statewide and nationally for all of your hard work. To enroll your facility, visit IAC's website at www.immunize.org/honor-roll/birthdose/apply.aspx. For more information on IAC's Hepatitis B Birth Dose Honor Roll, contact Pat Fineis at 517-335-9443 or fineisp@michigan.gov.

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