

**Mission:**

To protect, promote & improve the health of all people in Florida through integrated state, county & community efforts.



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**Vision:** To be the Healthiest State in the Nation

# Florida Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program

## IMPORTANT MESSAGE

### UPDATE: Required Vaccine Storage and Handling Training for VFC Program Providers

To receive a certificate or continuing education credit (CE) for the webinars, you must register in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's (CDC) Training and Continuing Education Online (TCEO) site. A link to the site is on the same web site as the seminars. Once you are registered in CDC's TCEO:

- Select "Participant Services."
- Then select "Search & Register."
- Register for Vaccine Storage and Handling: Course ID WB2124.
- Register for Vaccines for Children (VFC): Course ID WB2219.
- Save the verification codes given during the training.
- Complete the appropriate course evaluation. Select CE or "audit" if CEs are not needed.
- Print the certificates for your records.

**NOTE:** Proof of participation only needs to be sent to the VFC Program when the 2014 Reenrollment Form is due.

In addition, the VFC Program will soon have these courses accessible through the TrainFlorida system. Watch for more information about this exciting change in VFC Program training!

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ORIGINAL ANNOUNCEMENT SENT ON DECEMBER 2, 2013:

The CDC has created new training courses. *You Call the Shots* is an interactive, web-based immunization training course. It consists of a series of modules that discuss vaccine-preventable diseases and explains the latest recommendations for vaccine use. Each module provides learning opportunities, self-test practice questions, reference and resource materials and an extensive glossary.

**\* VFC BLAST FAX 12/11/2013 \* VFC BLAST FAX 12/11/2013 \***

This free course is available on the CDC's Vaccine and Immunizations website at:  
<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm>.

**The Florida VFC Program would like to inform our providers that they must provide documentation of training completion to continue participation in the VFC Program. This begins on January 1, 2014, and is a required section of the *Florida Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program 2014 Provider Reenrollment Form*.**

**All enrolled VFC Program providers and required personnel must complete these courses and submit the certificates with your *2014 VFC Program Reenrollment Form*:**

- Vaccine Storage and Handling
- Vaccines for Children (VFC)

Required personnel includes:

- Medical Director or equivalent (whoever signs the VFC Program Enrollment or Reenrollment Form)
- VFC Program Coordinator
- Back-Up VFC Program Coordinator
- Personnel who will manage VFC Program inventory in Florida SHOTS (those people who will order vaccine, accept shipments, and process transfers or returns in addition to the VFC Program Coordinator and the Back-Up VFC Program Coordinator)
- Personnel who receive shipments to the office, i.e. front office staff

This course is intended for nurses, nursing students, medical assistants, pharmacists and other health professionals who provide immunizations.

Participants can register and obtain continuing education credits. Please refer to the directions provided by the CDC on their web site: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.htm>.

Questions or comments about the course may be emailed to [nipinfo@cdc.gov](mailto:nipinfo@cdc.gov).

Contact Robert Griffin, VFC Program Coordinator, or your VFC Program representative regarding the VFC Program at 800-483-2543.