

TennIIS Updates

A Message from the TN Immunization Program (TIP)

Patient Records

Should you have a question or identify an issue regarding a patient's record in TennIIS, please remember to **only** include the Patient's SIIS ID and a description of the issue when reporting a concern. In TennIIS, a patient's SIIS ID can be found in two places.

1. The upper right hand corner of the *vaccination detail screen*.
2. The upper left corner of the *patient demographic screen*.

Issues pertaining to patient records may be submitted to the TennIIS Help Desk at TennIIS.Help@tn.gov.

TennIIS Calendar

- June 19th is Father's Day
- June 20th is the first day of Summer (Summer Solstice) and is the longest day of the year.
- In observance of Independence Day, TN State offices will be closed on the 4th of July.



Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program

Attention VFC Providers

In order to achieve the benefits of a robust registry and in preparation for the new CDC requirements effective January 1, 2017, the Tennessee Immunization Program (TIP) will begin requiring VFC participants to enter all immunizations given to children through age 18 years (regardless of VFC status) as a condition of participation in the VFC Program. We strongly encourage reporting all immunizations given to adults as well.

Records can be entered via the TennIIS web portal or electronically via electronic submission from a provider's EHR into TennIIS. Many providers registered in TennIIS for manual entry have already transitioned to electronic data exchange.

In preparation for this policy change, the TennIIS team has been working closely with the VFC providers interested in onboarding to become an Electronic Trading Partner (eTP). VFC providers who wish to register to become an eTP will be added to the queue and will receive priority onboarding for electronic data exchange.

To learn more about electronic data exchange and becoming an Electronic Trading Partner (eTP), please go to the *Electronic Data Exchange & Meaningful Use* expandable menu located on the [TennIIS homepage](#). Should you have any questions, please contact Jen Swails-Wenger at Jennifer.Swails-Wenger@tn.gov.

Pentacel Delay Extended

Sanofi Pasteur continues to experience a manufacturing delay with Pentacel (DTaP-IPV/Hib) vaccine. **The Pentacel delay has been extended throughout 2016.** Providers should continue to follow the recommended immunization schedule and ensure that patients receive all recommended doses of DTaP, Hib, and Polio vaccines. The *CDC Guidance for Vaccinating Children during the 2016 Pentacel Manufacturing Delay* is available in the *TennIIS Document Center*. Providers may also go to the [CDC Current Vaccine Shortages & Delays](#) webpage for additional information. Should you have any questions, please contact the VOMS team at TennIIS.VOMS@tn.gov.

**TennIIS
Help Desk**

For general TennIIS assistance, please contact the TennIIS Help Desk at (844) 206-9927 or at TennIIS.Help@tn.gov

TennIIS Question of the Month

What are invalid doses in TennIIS?

The vaccination forecaster in TennIIS evaluates vaccine doses to ensure that they were given according the CDC guidelines for minimum age and minimum interval between doses. Please see Table 1. Recommended and minimum ages and intervals between vaccine doses in the General Recommendation on Immunization at <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr6002a1.htm>.

The forecaster is programmed to use the "4-day grace period" when evaluating minimum age and minimum interval. Vaccine doses administered less than or equal to 4 days before the minimum age or interval are considered valid. Doses of any vaccine administered greater than or

equal to 5 days earlier than the minimum age or interval are not counted as valid doses. These invalid doses should be repeated if age appropriate.

The forecaster marks an invalid dose with a red **X** in front of the vaccine date on the Vaccination screen. Users can click on the vaccine date to display the Vaccination Detail screen. This screen displays the Invalid Vaccination field which explains why a vaccine dose has been marked invalid.

Invalid doses do not display on the Official TN Immunization Certificate produced by TennIIS.

Vaccine Ordering & Management System (VOMS)

Duplicate Vaccine Returns in Internet Explorer (IE)

When submitting returns in VOMS using Internet Explorer (IE), the pop-up blocker must be disabled for VOMS to work properly. To disable your pop-up blocker, go to the **Tools** tab located in the upper right hand corner of the browser. Click on **Internet Options**. Select the **Privacy** tab and then UNCHECK the **Turn On Pop-Up Blocker** box. At the bottom click **Apply** and then **Ok** before exiting the menu.

Completing these steps will avoid the creation of duplicate Returns and ensure that your Return is submitted successfully only once. This will then aid in reducing processing time. If you have any questions, please contact the VOMS team at TennIIS.VOMS@tn.gov.

TN Calendar

June 2016						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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July 2016						
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*TN State offices will be closed July 4th.

TennIIS Trainings

Live TennIIS Webinar Training

Live training webinars are available for all types of TennIIS users and are customized according to your group or facility's specific needs whether your facility is a medical office, pharmacy, health department, school, or daycare.

For all TennIIS users, to schedule a live *TennIIS Training* webinar, please contact the TennIIS Training team at TennIIS.Training@tn.gov.

For VFC providers, to schedule a live *VOMS Training* webinar, please contact the VOMS Training team at TennIIS.VOMS@tn.gov.