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PHARMACY TIMES

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Important Notice: Immunization Requirements

Dear IEHP Pharmacy Provider,

IEHP requires our network Medi-Cal Pharmacy Providers who initiate and/or administer vaccines meet the following requirements as stated in California State Board of Pharmacy regulation, Section 1746.4:

KEEP RECORDS

- Completion of an approved immunization program.
- Current basic life support certification.
- 1.0 hour of CE on immunizations/vaccine from an approved vendor every 2 years.
- Readily retrievable records of administered vaccines.

NOTIFICATION

- Inform PCP of vaccine administered, can be via electronic record system, within 14 days of the immunization.
- Patient or Caregiver informed of immunization record sharing options.

REPORTING

- Report immunizations on the California Immunization Registry (CAIR), www.cairweb.org, within 14 days of administration.

IEHP will be monitoring our Pharmacy Providers' performance in regards to the 14 day reporting standard in CAIR.

IEHP Onsite audits may include a review of the immunization requirements. Pharmacies not abiding by these requirements may be subject to recoupment or exclusion from the IEHP vaccine network. The California Immunization Registry (CAIR) system allows documentation of immunizations and the sharing of this information with other Providers. The CAIR website also provides online training for Providers on immunization reporting and registry use.

The CAIR website is available at www.cairweb.org, and the CAIR Help Desk is available for Providers from 8am to 5pm weekdays at (800) 578-7889.



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If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact us at (909) 890-2049 between 8:00 AM -5:00 PM Monday through Friday. Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,
IEHP Pharmaceutical Services

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