



## Federal Retail Pharmacy Program Updates

### **Federal Retail Pharmacy Partnership for COVID-19 website**

Find up to date information and newsletters on our [website](#) for the Federal Retail Pharmacy Partnership for COVID-19.

[Sitio web en Español](#) para participantes del programa de vacunas COVID

## General updates

### Federal Retail Pharmacy Partnership vaccine enrollment suspension

Please be aware that we will no longer be accepting new enrollments into the Federal Retail Pharmacy Partnership for COVID vaccines as the vaccine program winds down in preparation for commercialization.

### Reporting waste

When reporting waste, it's important to complete all the required fields. Incomplete reports will need to be resubmitted. Please report waste as accurately as possible. Once waste is reported it cannot be edited or changed. All questions should be directed to [COVIDvaccines@amerisourcebergen.com](mailto:COVIDvaccines@amerisourcebergen.com).

## Attestations due soon

Required: Data Reconciliation Attestation

In the month of July, you'll receive an email from Elevate Provider Network containing the COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAM PROVIDER ATTESTATION **FOR VACCINE DATA RECONCILIATION**. You'll need to read in its entirety, sign and return it immediately. Note there will be 2 pages to the document; the last page should be completed and signed by the authorized signer.

This attestation is **separate** from your standard quarterly attestations and must be completed in addition to your quarterly attestations.

## Quarterly attestations due July 21

This week, your pharmacy received quarterly attestations to sign and return. Please note that there are different attestations for the vaccine and therapeutics programs, so you may receive two attestations that need to be signed and returned. Please email [COVIDvaccines@AmerisourceBergen.com](mailto:COVIDvaccines@AmerisourceBergen.com) if you need the attestation(s) to be resent. Please include your NCPDP and pharmacy name in all inquiries. The attestations must be signed quarterly to remain in compliance with the Federal Retail Pharmacy Partnership programs and continue to order product through the program. If your pharmacy's attestation(s) are not returned, your pharmacy will be placed on hold and will be unable to request product until the attestation(s) are returned.

## Vaccine program updates

### US Government to halt regular COVID vaccine ordering effective August 3, 2023

As the USG prepares to transition COVID vaccines to commercial availability, FRPP participants will no longer order COVID vaccines through ABC Order effective August 3, 2023. To ensure participating pharmacies have enough COVID vaccine supply to cover demand during this transition period (estimated through mid/late September), participating pharmacies are encouraged to plan accordingly and place necessary orders prior to Wednesday on ABC Order at NOON ET on August 2, 2023. Therapeutics and waste reporting will not be impacted at this time.

Pharmacies should not order more product than they believe they will need during the transition period because we anticipate that current vaccine will be replaced with the updated version. Providers should maintain their inventories of EUA and/or BLA vaccines until the vaccine exceeds its shelf life, or the FDA announces a change to EUAs and/or BLAs, whichever occurs first.

Guidance developed by HHS on the [Sunsetting of the US Government COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution Program](#) provides direction to those participating in the COVID-19 Vaccination Program as the USG stops distributing COVID-19 vaccines. The guidance includes information on the transition to traditional pathways for procurement,

distribution, and payment of COVID-19 vaccines. The document also includes information on:

- Exceptional orders after full-scale ordering closes
- Guidance on inventory and disposal management of vaccine and ancillary supplies
- Data reporting requirements
- CDC programs for uninsured individuals
- Anticipated vaccine schedule for fall
- Planning considerations

We hope that you find this information helpful. There will be additional guidance and a checklist on commercialization and sunsetting of COVID-19 programs from CDC in the days ahead.

[HHS Commercialization Transition Guide \[4 pages\] \(7/6/23\)](#)

## Updated cooler return process

Effective Tuesday, July 11, providers are again receiving UPS return labels for all frozen shipping containers from McKesson so that they may be returned and refurbished. A flyer stating this is inserted into each shipment.

## Therapeutics updates

### Reminder: COVID-19 therapeutic product expiration dates

#### **No oral antivirals have expired**

Please do not dispose of product based on labeled expiration dates.

A searchable database of [COVID-19 Therapeutic Product Expiration Dates](#) is available.

- Use the search box to find a specific item OR
- Select which product you are interested in and sort by lot number, labelled expiry, or extended expiry

Pfizer is maintaining a [searchable expiry](#) data for Paxlovid (nirmatrelvir co-packaged with ritonavir). ASPR's expiry webpage includes the link to that site.

## Lagevrio Expiration Date Extension to 36 months

- On June 14, 2023, FDA [announced authorization of an additional extension](#) to the shelf life for the Merck antiviral therapy, Lagevrio (molnupiravir) capsules from 30 months to 36 months.
- FDA granted this extension following a thorough review of data submitted by Merck.
- As a result of this extension, certain lots of Lagevrio capsules may be stored for an additional 6 or 12 months from the original labeled date of expiry.
- As required by the emergency use authorization, unopened cartons of Lagevrio capsules must be appropriately held in accordance with storage conditions detailed in the authorized [Fact Sheet](#) for Health Care Providers
- The lot numbers have been updated in the [ASPR searchable expiry database](#).

## Resources

### Expiry checking

Efforts should be made to verify expiration dates for all extended vaccines and therapeutics before administration/dispensing to patients. Pharmacies can check the expiration date using the manufacturer expiration date tool. It is best practice for pharmacies to develop their own process for removing expired vaccines/therapeutics within a reasonable time. Please ensure all team members review this process and are updating inventory.

1. [Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine Expiry](#)
2. [Moderna Vial Expiration Date Look Up Tool](#)
3. [Janssen COVID-19 Vaccines Expiry Checker](#)
4. [Paxlovid Expiry Dates by Batch Number](#)
5. [Novavax Expiry Date Checker](#)
6. [CDC's COVID-19 Vaccine Lot Number and Expiration Date Report](#)

### Updated Implementation and Allocation Guides

- [Therapeutics Allocation guide](#)
- [Therapeutics implementation guide](#)
- [Vaccine implementation guide](#)
- [Vaccine allocation guide](#)

## COVID-19 marketing materials

Let your patients know that you have the latest booster shot available at your pharmacy with new print and digital marketing materials. Visit the “COVID-19 Vaccine” library in [Brand Central Station](#) and [SOCi](#) to access the materials.

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