

Vaccines for Children

Benefits of Enrolling in VFC



Over 20 Years of VFC Success

VFC was created by an act of Congress in 1993. After 20 years in operation, VFC is considered one of our nation's most successful public-private partnerships for improving public health. Nationwide, there are more than 44,000 doctors enrolled in the VFC Program.

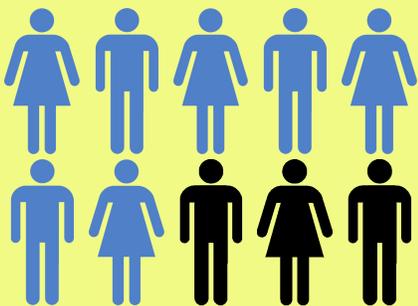
Annually, the Philadelphia VFC Program ships over 600,000 doses of vaccine to Philadelphia providers and clinics, valued at over \$25 million.

The Benefits the VFC Program

Providers who enroll in VFC will be able to keep VFC-eligible patients in their practice, and protect vulnerable children and adolescents. All vaccines recommended by the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) and approved by CDC and HHS are covered under the VFC Program at no cost to the participating healthcare provider. You don't have to be a Medicaid provider to participate in VFC.



7 out of every **10**
children in Philadelphia aged
0 through 18 years are
VFC-eligible



Becoming a VFC Provider

Enrolling as a VFC provider is a sound investment in your practice and in your patients. It reduces your up-front costs because you will not have to pay to purchase vaccines for VFC-eligible children. Also, you can charge an administrative fee to offset your costs of doing business. Your patients benefit because they won't have to go somewhere else to get the vaccines they need, and there is no charge to providers.

Enrolling in VFC

Enrollment forms are available on the Philadelphia VFC webpage at: <http://kids.phila.gov/index.php/programs/vfc/> The VFC enrollment packet are under the "Provider Enrollment Forms" tab. Fax to: 215-238-6948. Philadelphia VFC staff will contact you and help your office prepare for the requirements of participating in the program.

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