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### Immunization Program

**PLEASE COPY THIS FOR ALL HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS  
IN YOUR PRACTICE**

**TO: Health Care Providers**  
**FROM: Mick Bolduc, Vaccine Coordinator-Connecticut Vaccine Program (CVP)**  
**DATE: March 23, 2015**  
**SUBJECT: Vaccine Ordering Blackout Periods**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mick Bolduc".

The primary purpose of this communication is to inform you of two upcoming blackout periods when vaccine ordering through the CVP will be unavailable.

#### **Vaccine Blackout Periods**

The Centers for Disease Control & Prevention has informed the CVP of two upcoming vaccine ordering blackout periods the first of which is **Tuesday March 31<sup>st</sup>** which coincides with the transition to a new federal pediatric contract period. CDC anticipates that a new pediatric contract will be in place as of April 1<sup>st</sup> when access to VTrckS will be restored. The second blackout period will take place **April 9-12** for a VTrckS optimization upgrade. VTrckS is anticipated to be back up and running on Monday April 13<sup>th</sup>. During these 2 blackout periods CVP staff will not have access to VTrckS and will be unable to place any vaccine orders. Providers who place their orders directly into VTrckS will not be able to order during these timeframes as well. Please keep these blackout periods in mind when placing your upcoming vaccine orders. As always, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (860) 509-7940.