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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Dear Connecticut COVID-19 Vaccine Providers,

Thank you again for your continued efforts in the COVID Vaccine roll-out. This email contains important information for COVID vaccine providers related to expanded use of the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine for ages 12 through 15 – please read this message in its entirety.

On April 9, Pfizer submitted data to amend the Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) to expand the ages indicated for the Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine to include children as young as 12 years old. The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) is expected to make a recommendation next Wednesday, May 12. The meeting will be livestreamed [here](#).

In anticipation of the EUA and an initial wave of demand to vaccinate 12 through 15 year-olds, we encourage as many providers as possible to prepare to hold Pfizer clinics after the EUA amendment and ACIP recommendation is in place, including during the weekend of May 15<sup>th</sup> when individuals in this age group and their parents can attend clinics.

**Providers who would like to request additional Pfizer vaccine in anticipate of this EUA amendment should fill out this [special request form](#) by this Friday, May 7 at 12pm.**

On a one-time basis, DPH will fill orders off-cycle for this purpose and the doses will be delivered no later than next Friday, May 14. In the form, providers may request less than an entire tray of Pfizer (1,170 doses) if their total anticipated inventory need is smaller. DPH will endeavor to fill orders via a mixture of direct shipments and in-state transfers, which may require some providers to pick up vaccine from a nearby location.

A DPH team member will reach out to providers for whom an in-state transfer is the best option to coordinate transport logistics.

Note: If providers already submitted an order for Pfizer as part of yesterday's ordering deadline, those requests will be honored and ordered for delivery by next Monday, May 10.

Additionally, all providers with Pfizer vaccine should be prepared to update their schedulers, websites, and literature to indicate that individuals 12 and older if and when the EUA is amended and ACIP issues its recommendation.