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Dear CVP and CVFA providers,

On Monday, December 18, 2023, the Immunization Program will be making available a new refrigerated formulation of Pfizer’s COVID-19 vaccine for individuals 12 years of age and older (NDC 00069-2377-10). The new presentation is packaged in a carton of 10 manufacturer-filled syringes (MFS).

Important information for you to know about this new formulation:

- This new presentation **must be stored between 2°C and 8°C (36°F and 46°F)**. Do NOT store at ultra-cold or standard freezer temperatures.
- These manufacturer-filled syringes can be used through the expiration date printed on the carton. The 10-week beyond-use date (BUD) for refrigerator storage does not apply.
- This guidance applies to this formulation ONLY.
- **Storage for Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccines for children aged 6 months through 4 years and 5 through 11 years is unchanged.** These vaccines will continue to be shipped directly from Pfizer on dry ice and must be stored at either at ultracold temperatures until expiry or up to 10 weeks at 2–8°C.

We have included a picture of the carton for the new presentation for your reference. The carton includes a bright pink stripe that includes the words “DO NOT FREEZE” to alert you about the storage and handling requirements for this vaccine.

Providers who have the original Pfizer 12y+ vaccine (NDC 00069-2362-10) on hand can and should continue to use this product until all doses have been administered to avoid wastage. Any unused doses will be subject to the CVP restitution policy.

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