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UPDATES

DHSS and the Department of Mental Health are partnering on a 5-year **WORKplace WELLbeing** program to promote overall organizational well-being through a trauma informed approach. It will build the infrastructure to create a safe culture in every corner of Missouri, so we can speak openly about mental health. Learn more at: <https://dmh.mo.gov/wellness/phig>

The DHSS PIO team is working to create a package of **respiratory illness messages and communication assets** focused on RSV, flu and COVID vaccinations for this fall. Look for those to be coming soon.

West Nile Virus cases are increasing in the eastern part of the US and along the Mississippi river. Check the LPHA Info Hub [Resource Library](#) for social media posts and a template article on mosquito prevention.

FDA expands **Novavax** EUA for new adjuvanted vaccine option: <https://www.fda.gov/vaccines-blood-biologics/coronavirus-covid-19-cber-regulated-biologics/novavax-covid-19-vaccine-adjuvanted>

The following vaccines are **now** available for VFC providers to order via ShowMeVax:

- Pfizer COVID-19**

Brand Name	Presentation	NDC	Funding
Comirnaty	12y+; SYR; 10pk	00069-2432-10	VFC - <i>Available to order</i>
			*317 Adult - <i>Not Available until 10/1/24</i>
COVID-19 Vaccine	Ped 5y-11y; SDV; 10pk	59267-4438-02	VFC
COVID-19 Vaccine	Ped 6m-4y; MDV3; 30pk	59267-4426-02	VFC

- Moderna COVID-19**

Brand Name	Presentation	NDC	Funding
Spikevax	12y+; SYR; 10pk	80777-0110-93	VFC - <i>Available to order</i>
			*317 Adult - <i>Not Available until 10/1/24</i>
COVID-19 Vaccine	Ped 6m-11y; SYR; 10pk	80777-0291-80	VFC

- RSV Vaccines** – Supply is limited, so orders may be adjusted to accommodate limited supply.

Brand Name	Presentation	NDC	Funding
Beyfortus (50mg)	Infants who weigh less than 5 kg or 11 lbs.; SYR; 5pk	49281-0575-15	VFC
Beyfortus (100mg)	Infants who weigh less than 5 kg or 11 lbs. or more.; SYR; 5pk	49281-0575-15	VFC
Abrysvo	1 dose vial	00069-0344-01	VFC-eligible patients only

- Separate orders must be completed for COVID-19, RSV, and Influenza vaccines.
- COVID-19, RSV, and Influenza orders can include pediatric and adult doses.
- Reconciliations must be current, or no older than 14 days, to submit an order.
- Orders may be adjusted to accommodate limited supply.
- Partially filled orders will need to be re-ordered by the provider later.
- See re-ordering details available via the VFC Program Comments in your approved or rejected order.
- **Novavax** – Providers will be notified via email and posted in the ShowMeVax news when the Novavax vaccine is available for order.
- **317 Adult Vaccines** – COVID-19 and RSV vaccines will **not** be available to order until October 1, 2024.

NEWS

9/5/2024: The initial boom in public health funding during the pandemic is now withering, as expected, leading to budget cuts and layoffs in some states. <https://tinyurl.com/2wuc85cx>

9/4/2024: New report from Dept of Ag shows hunger in the US higher than its been in a decade, with 13.5% of households struggling to secure enough food <https://tinyurl.com/y9m36mrc>

- US hunger heat map: <https://tinyurl.com/9xbyskw8>

9/4/2024: A new study from researchers at the Mayo Clinic suggests that being vaccinated against COVID-19 does little to prevent long COVID. <https://tinyurl.com/bdctz9m6>

9/4/2024: Breast cancer rates rising among Asian American and Pacific Islander Women. <https://tinyurl.com/5n8fx5wm>

9/3/2024: Study by WHO says cell phones aren't linked to brain cancer after all. <https://tinyurl.com/2y47bzrv>

RESOURCES

Policy recommendations for countering mass shootings in the US, Criminology and Public Policy, <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/1745-9133.12484>

WEBINARS/TRAINING/CONFERENCES

Sept 10 – 12, **Principles of Epidemiology**, Jefferson City (in person); to learn more about pre-requisites and register, visit:

<https://health.mo.gov/living/healthcondiseases/communicable/communicabledisease/upcomingevents.php>

Sept 11, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Environmental Childcare Training**, at Library Center, 4653 S Campbell Ave, Springfield, MO. Hosted by DHSS. Full attendance at one of the listed sessions is required by inspectors conducting childcare sanitation inspections. Registration is not required. If none of the dates work with your schedule, please reach out to your BEHS district staff to discuss options. Please direct general questions to environmentalchildcare@health.mo.gov.

Sept 12, 11:00 am – 12:15 pm, **The Role of AI in Advancing Public Health**, hosted by ICF International; Register: <https://www.icf.com/events/health/2024/09/role-of-ai-advancing-public-health>

Sept 17, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Environmental Childcare Training**, at Powder Valley Conservation Center, 11715 Cragwold Road, Kirkwood, MO. Hosted by DHSS. Full attendance at one of the listed sessions is required by inspectors conducting childcare sanitation inspections. Registration is not required. If none of the dates work with your schedule, please reach out to your BEHS district staff to discuss options. Please direct general questions to environmentalchildcare@health.mo.gov.

Sept 17 – 19 **MPHA Joint Annual Public Health Conference**, Columbia. Register: <https://mophaevents.org/>

Sept 17, 12:00 – 1:30 pm, **A Vote for Health: LGBTQ+ Rights**, Boston University School of Public Health. This program will consider the intersection of the 2024 election and LGBTQ+ health. We will explore the sociopolitical forces that shape LGBTQ+ health and reflect on how public health can better engage with these forces to advance the health and well-being of LGBTQ+ populations. Register <https://tinyurl.com/8p927t58>

Sept 25, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Environmental Childcare Training**, at Oak Woods Conservation Center, 1401 NW Park Road, Blue Springs, MO. Hosted by DHSS. Full attendance at one of the listed sessions is required by inspectors conducting childcare sanitation inspections. Registration is not required. If none of the dates work with your schedule, please reach out to your BEHS district staff to discuss options. Please direct general questions to environmentalchildcare@health.mo.gov.

NEW! Sept 25, 12:00 – 1:00 pm, **Audit-Proof Your Organization: Mastering the Art of Financial Transparency**, hosted by National Grants Management Association; essential knowledge and strategies to effectively prepare for large-scale financial audits; audit requirements specific to your sector; internal controls; best practices for financial documentation; register at <https://tinyurl.com/25bmprzw>

Sept 26, **National Healthy Aging Symposium: Innovation Across the Age-Friendly Ecosystem**, hosted by ODPHP and Trust for America's Health, free online virtual event. Register at <https://tinyurl.com/2p9meyvb>

Sept 26, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Environmental Childcare Training**, at Comfort Inn and Suites, 1821 N Missouri Street, Macon, MO. Hosted by DHSS. Full attendance at one of the listed sessions is required by inspectors conducting childcare sanitation inspections. Registration is not required. If none of the dates work with your schedule, please reach out to your BEHS district staff to discuss options. Please direct general questions to environmentalchildcare@health.mo.gov.

Oct 1 – 2. **Missouri Food Safety Task Force Conference**, Stoney Creek Hotel and Conference Center, Columbia. Agenda is being finalized, but topics include Association of Food and Drug Officials (AFDO) training opportunities, MU lab resources, Rapid Response Team (RRT), basic fundamentals of HACCP, food safety panel discussion, and more! Conference registration, hotel room reservation instructions, and agenda will be sent via listserv soon. Contact Paige.Anderson@health.mo.gov with any questions.

Oct 3, 9:00 am – 1:00 pm. **Environmental Childcare Training**, at DHSS, 930 Wildwood Drive, Jefferson City, MO. Hosted by DHSS. Full attendance at one of the listed sessions is required by inspectors conducting childcare sanitation inspections. Registration is not required. If none of the dates work with your schedule, please reach out to your BEHS district staff to discuss options. Please direct general questions to environmentalchildcare@health.mo.gov.

Oct 27 – 30, **APHA Annual Meeting and Expo**, Minneapolis. Register: <https://www.apha.org/events-and-meetings/annual>

Oct 29 – 30, 9:00 am – 4:00 pm (29th) and 8:00 am – 11:30 am (30th), **Fall Preparedness Summit**, Mill Bottom, 400 W Main Street, Jefferson City. Registration details coming soon.