

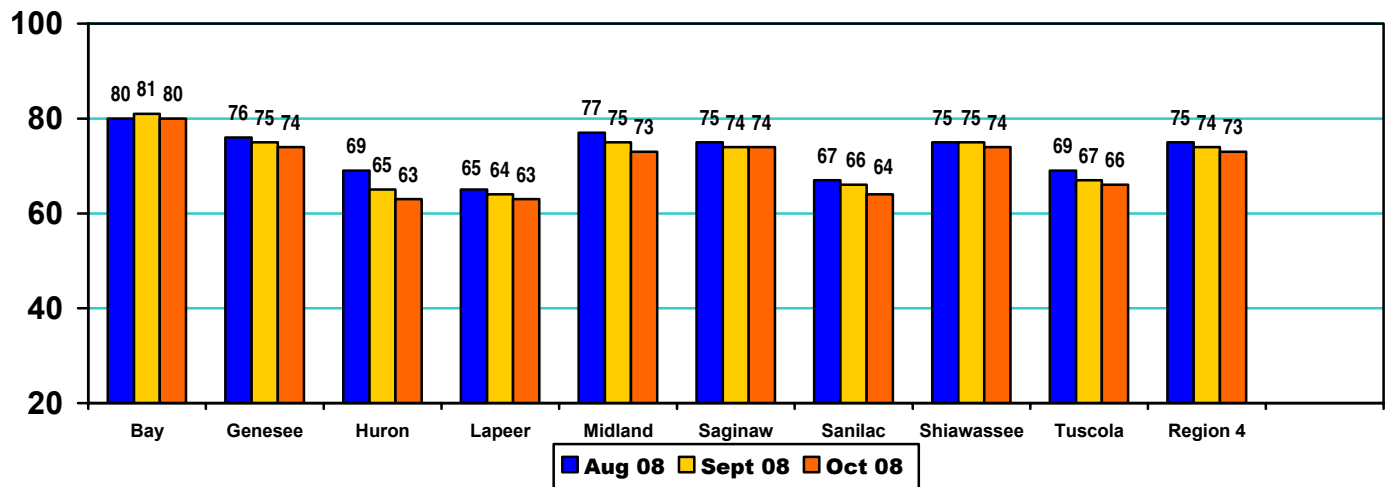


Region 4 MCIR News

Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) Fall 2008

Region and County Immunization Rates

Current immunization rates by County and Region 4 for 19 to 36 months old children who have received 4 DTaP, 3 Polio, 1 MMR, 3 Hib, 3 Hep B and 1 Varicella



Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) Update

- Many Region 4 MCIR Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers are now using the Vaccine Inventory Module (VIM) to track their vaccine inventory. VIM training will continue through 2008. VFC providers not yet trained will be contacted by the Region 4 MCIR office or their local health department to schedule training. Training for E-Ordering on MCIR will be provided at a later date as the next step for implementing Centralized Ordering and Distribution (COD).

Contact the Region 4 Help Desk for VIM assistance or questions. Questions regarding the VFC program should be directed to your local health department.

Vaccine Inventory Module (VIM) Tips

- Ensure that you are working in the correct VIM inventory (VFC/Public or Private) by looking at the upper-left hand corner of the **Manage Inventory** screen. The screen should say either **Manage Inventory – VFC /Public** or **Manage Inventory – Private**. Pay close attention to these labels while working in the VIM to prevent errors.
- If an error message appears when adding a vaccine lot number to an inventory in VIM, check both your active and inactive lots to assure the lot number does not already exist. Lot numbers with the same National Drug Code (NDC) and expiration date can only be added to an inventory once.

Don't Forget

- The **Influenza Screening Notification** flag is automatically checked in a child's MCIR record on the **General Information** page if they have been diagnosed with a high-risk condition and are currently on Medicaid. This flag can also be checked by provider offices for any person who is considered to be high-risk for influenza. This will cause a pop-up notification window to appear when the MCIR record is opened.
- Providers are encouraged to enter all immunizations given to adults into MCIR, including influenza. This allows physicians with access to MCIR to better assess the immunization needs of their adult patients.
- **Vaccine Information Statements (VIS)** provided to patients should be those with information about MCIR immunization reporting requirements for providers. To find and print the latest VIS on the Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) website, click on the **VIS** link in the **Other** section on your MCIR **Home** page or access online at http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/0,1607,7-132-2942_4911_4914-138197--,00.html#english.



CONTEST!

Answer the following questions for a chance to win! Participants with all the correct answers will be placed in a drawing for a \$10.00 gift card for Target. Email or FAX the answers to the regional staff by **November 21, 2008.**

1. _____ Statements provided to patients should be those with information about MCIR immunization reporting requirements.
2. Lot numbers with the same National Drug Code (NDC) and _____ can only be added once to an inventory in the Vaccine Inventory Module (VIM).
3. Questions regarding the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program should be directed to your _____.

Congratulations to our last contest prize winner Michelle Mulligan at Dr. Scott Beasecker in Frankenmuth.

Wondering if you got the correct answers last time? The answers for the **Summer 2008** contest were:

1. **Medicaid-Non VFC** is a new Vaccine Eligibility category that has been added to the Eligibility dropdown list on the *Add Imm* screen.
2. All MCIR users must log-on with their own unique **User ID** and **Password**.
3. Report staff changes to the Region 4 Help Desk to prevent **invalid access** to your site from other offices and users.

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