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Florida Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

Rotavirus vaccine availability

Dear VFC Program Participants:

The vaccine manufacturer *GlaxoSmithKline* (GSK) is experiencing a supply constraint issue affecting select vaccine products. There is currently zero inventory of Rotarix® available at *McKesson Specialty's* Distribution Center. The Florida Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program will be sending providers the *Merck & Co.* product, Rotateq®, as an alternative, to enable providers to avoid missed immunization opportunities. As soon as the supply constraint issue has been resolved, and Rotarix® inventory becomes available at the *McKesson Specialty* Distribution Center, the VFC Program will resume sending Rotarix® to providers who prefer the *GlaxoSmithKline* product.

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