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To: Vaccines for Children (VFC) and Adult Immunization Program (AIP) Providers

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Subject: New Vaccine Administration e-Learn is Available

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has released a new e-Learn on vaccine administration available at <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/courses.html>

Proper vaccine administration is critical for ensuring that vaccines are both safe and effective. Vaccine administration errors happen more often than you might think. Of the average 36,000 reports received annually by the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), about 1,500 of those reports are directly related to administration error.

Some of the most common vaccination administration errors include:

- Not following the recommended immunization schedule
- Administering improperly stored or expired vaccine and/or diluent
- Administering the wrong vaccine—confusing look-alike or sound-alike vaccines such as DTaP/Tdap or administering products outside age indications

The e-Learn is a free, interactive, online educational program that serves as a useful introductory course or a great refresher on vaccine administration. The self-paced e-Learn provides comprehensive training, using videos, job aids, and other resources to accommodate a variety of learning styles, and offers a certificate of completion and/or Continuing Education (CE) for those that complete the training.

We encourage you to share information on the Vaccine Administration e-Learn with others in the health care professional community.

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