



FALL 2008

REGION SIX MCIR

REMINDER for VFC offices already transitioned to the new MCIR Vaccine Inventory Module/Management "VIM-"

Each month you will need to submit the following documents to your local health department's VFC Provider Point of Contact "PPOC."

-A monthly MCIR "VFC Doses Administered" report

-the MCIR "Ending Inventory" report, once you have balanced your inventory

-Your vaccine temperature log

The months you order VFC vaccine, you will also be required to submit your vaccine order form

If you need assistance generating a MCIR report, please contact the regional MCIR office 888-217-3905.

The regional MCIR office recommends you contact your LHD for deadlines on submitting monthly reports.

Welcome to the new MCIR VIM

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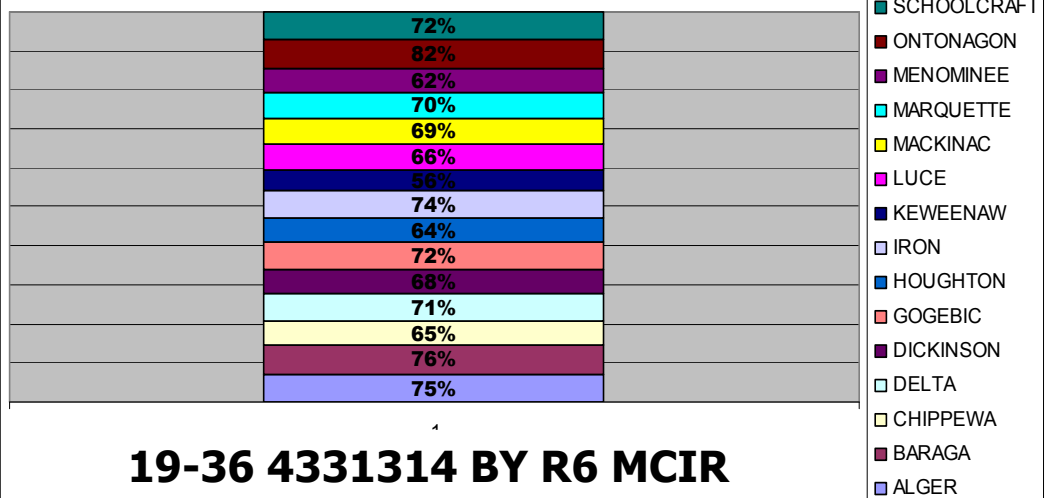
Here are some helpful hints and reminders for using the VIM:

1. Immunizations you are adding to the system for dates prior to having an active VIM inventory should be added as "no inventory," not as "administered" doses. This will allow for you to add a lot number but will not allow the system to deduct a dose from your current inventory.
2. You should balance monthly. Remember the VIM is like a checkbook. The longer you go without balancing, the more issues you will have to correct.
3. The number of users assigned VIM responsibility should be to a minimum. "Too many cooks in the kitchen will spoil the broth:...and cause a heck of a lot of data quality errors.
4. If the lot number you are trying to add to a shot administered is not coming up in the drop down box, check to make sure you choose the right vaccine and manufacturer.
5. If you have two vaccines with the same lot number and different expiration dates, the MCIR will pull from the vaccine lot with the shortest expiration date.
6. Do not inactivate lot numbers you have zero'd out during the month. You must report these lots as having been drawn down to zero during the month. Once you report these lots on your ending inventory, you may inactive them.

MCIR VIM slowness -

A new server will be installed in September 2008. This should address the slowness many MCIR VIM users are currently experiencing.

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SCHOOL AND CHILDCARE SIRS INFORMATION:

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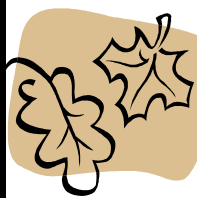
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Any questions may be directed to your local LHD or to Carol Romback, RN, Immunization Field Representative at 906-315-2623 or cromback@mgctcy.org.

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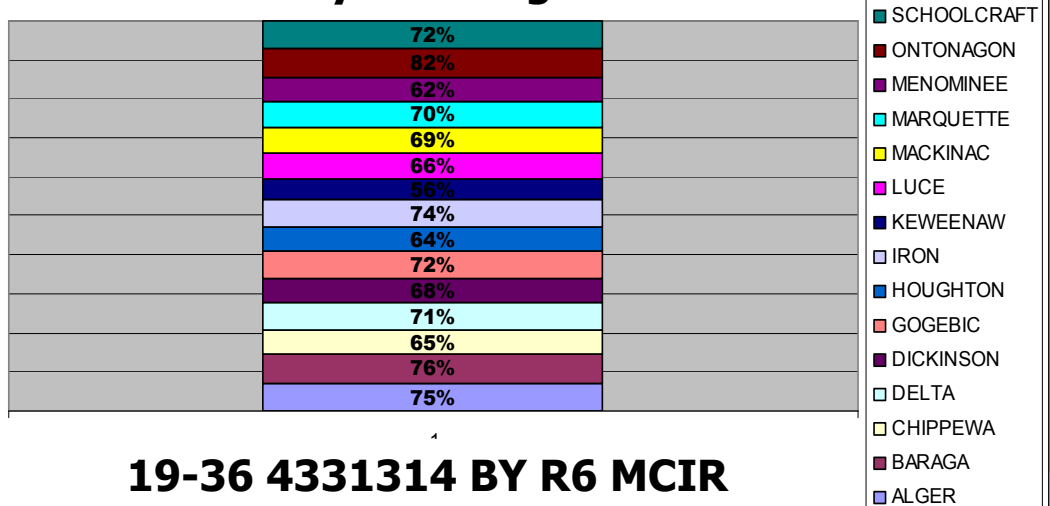
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4. If the lot number you are trying to add to the MCIR is not coming up in the drop down box, check to make sure you choose the antigen and manufacturer/trade name.
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6. Do not inactivate lot numbers you have zero'd out during the month. You must report these lots as having been drawn down to zero during the reporting period. Once you report these lots on your ending inventory, you may inactivate them.
7. You cannot add the same lot, NDC and expiration date to the VIM more than once. If you are trying to add a vaccine and MCIR will not take it, you should check you inactive lots to make sure the same lot does not already exist. If it does, reactivate it and add your new quantity as a "lot transaction."
8. Vaccine coming directly from McKesson with the same lot and expiration date as an inactive vaccine, will automatically cause the inactive vaccine to be reactivated and added back in to your active inventory screen.

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