

## VFC ELIGIBILITY AND INSURANCE

\*Patients must be screened for VFC eligibility at each visit

## **Eligibility for Publicly Funded Vaccines Reference Guide for:**

Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers, Adults Vaccine Program (AVP) providers, and Electronic Medical Record contacts.

Patient Status (<19 years old)	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Category Selection	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Source and Description	Billing
American Indian/ Alaskan Native  • Child is less than 19 years  • As defined by the Indian Health Care Improvement Act (25 U.S.C 1603-13)	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	American Indian/ Alaskan Native	V04 VFC eligible - American Indian/ Alaskan Native	VXCI - Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fees</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Uninsured</li> <li>Child is less than 19 years</li> <li>Does not have health insurance</li> <li>Enrolled in a Health Care Sharing Ministry (i.e., MediShare, Liberty Healthshare, HealthShare Altura, Christian Healthcare Ministries, Solidarity Healthshare)</li> </ul>	Yes  Federal (VFC)  vaccine  eligible	Uninsured	V03 VFC eligible - Uninsured	VXCI - Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fees</li> </ul>
Underinsured Child  • Child is less than 19 years  • Has insurance that does not cover vaccine  • Served at a Federally Qualified Health Center/ Rural Health Center (FQHC/RHC) or deputized Local Health Department (LHD)	Yes Federal (VFC) vaccine eligible	Underinsured	V05 VFC eligible - Underinsured	VXCI - Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fees</li> </ul>
Other  • Child is less than 19 years  • Has insurance that does not cover vaccine  • Served at any non-FQHC or LHD VFC provider location	Yes  Federal (VFC)  vaccine  eligible	Underinsured	VOS VFC eligible - Underinsured	VXCI - Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fees</li> </ul>

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Indiana Family Services (FSSA) offers several different programs and services under the Indiana Health Coverage Programs (IHCP). Each IHCP member is issued a number referred to as the Member ID assigned by FSSA Division of Family Resources (DFR). They type of card received depends on the IHCP program in which the member is enrolled. Providers are required to verify member eligibility on the date of service via the Provider Healthcare portal. Providers that fail to verify eligibility are at risk of claims being denied due to membership ineligibility or coverage limitations.

Viewing a member ID card alone does not ensure member eligibility.

- Hoosier Health Cards are issued by FSSA DFR.
- Hoosier Care Connect members receive member ID cards from their individuals Managed Care Entities (MCEs): Anthem or MHS
- Hoosier Healthwise members receive member ID cards from their individual MCEs: Anthem, CareSource, MHS, and MDwise.
- Package A (Medicaid) is not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal.

Patient Status (<19 years old)	Eligible for Public Vaccine	IIS Eligibility Category Selection	IIS Eligibility Code & Description	IIS Funding Source and Description	Billing
<ul> <li>Medicaid</li> <li>Child is less than 19 years old</li> <li>Enrolled in Traditional Medicaid</li> <li>Enrolled in Hoosier CareConnect (Full Medicaid of Package A)</li> <li>Enrolled in Hoosier Healthwise Package A</li> <li>Package A is not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal.</li> </ul>	Yes Federal (VFC) Vaccine Eligible	Medicaid	V02 VFC eligible – Medicaid	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>CHIP</li> <li>Child is less than 19 years old</li> <li>Enrolled in Medicaid Package C (Hoosier Healthwise Package C)</li> <li>Package C is not listed on the card and can only be determined via the Provider Healthcare Portal</li> </ul>	Yes Federal (VFC) Vaccine Eligible	СНІР	V22 State Vaccine Eligible - CHIP	VXC1- Publicly funded vaccine stock	<ul> <li>Cannot bill for the cost of the vaccine</li> <li>Can bill administration fee up to \$20.32 per vaccine dose</li> <li>May issue only a single bill within 90 days</li> <li>Cannot send to collections for unpaid administration fee</li> </ul>
Private Insurance  Child is less than 19 years old  Enrolled in private insurance plan	No	Ineligible for VFC/ Private Insurance	V01 Ineligible for VFC/ Private Insurance	РНС70	Bill according to plan guidelines

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Other considerations for patients that are under 19 years old:

Child's Insurance Status	VFC Eligible?	VFC Eligibility Category	
Has private health insurance plan with Medicaid as secondary insurance		Medicaid	
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but has not yet met plan's deductible or paid for other services received at visit AND has Medicaid as secondary insurance		Medicaid	
Has private health insurance that covers all vaccinations and is American Indian/ Alaskan Native (AI/AN)		AI/AN.	
		However, provider should choose the eligibility category most cost-effective for the child and family.	
		Medicaid or AI/AN.	
Has Medicaid and is an American Indian/ Alaskan Native (AI/AN)		Provider should use Medicaid for the administration fee because this provides the least out-of-pocket expense for the family	
Has insurance plan that does not cover all ACIP recommended vaccines		Underinsured.	
		Child can only receive vaccines not covered by insurance plan.	
		Insured.	
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but has not yet the plan's deductible or paid for other services received at visit		This applies even when the primary insurer would deny reimbursement for the cost of the vaccine and its administration because the plan's deductible has not been met.	
Has health insurance covering all vaccines, but the plan has a fixed dollar limit or cap on amount it will cover	Depends	NO - Insured until the fixed dollar limit is met YES - Underinsured after the fixed dollar limit is reached	