

## County of Santa Cruz

## **HEALTH SERVICES AGENCY**

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## **COMMUNICABLE DISEASE UNIT**

## PUBLIC HEALTH MEMO

To: All providers who supply vaccine services to patients

From: Communicable Disease Unit, Santa Cruz County Public Health Department

**Date:** April 10, 2014

Subject: Haemophilus influenzae (Hib) vaccine guidelines and vaccine storage

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have issued a new document, which consolidates the recommendations for Hib vaccine for both adults and children. Please go to <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr6301.pdf">http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/rr/rr6301.pdf</a> for the complete guidance.

We would also like to bring to your attention that all vaccines must be properly stored in order for them to be effective. The EZIZ web site has a short graphic, which illustrates the best way to store vaccine. Please go to <a href="http://eziz.org/assets/docs/IMM-962.pdf">http://eziz.org/assets/docs/IMM-962.pdf</a> for "Vaccine Refrigerator Setup" and to <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/default.htm">http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/storage/default.htm</a> for recommendations, guidelines and a toolkit for "Vaccine Storage & Handling".

For a chart of the immunization schedule for children aged 0 to 18 years, please go to: <a href="http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/child/0-18yrs-child-combined-schedule.pdf">http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/child/0-18yrs-child-combined-schedule.pdf</a> .

For a chart of the immunization schedule for adults, go to: http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/downloads/adult/adult-combined-schedule.pdf.

Should you have any questions, please call Naomi Lobell, Immunization Coordinator, at 831-454-4646 or the Communicable disease Unit at 831-454-4114.