

## Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine Age 6months to 4 years Standing Orders – Updated 06.20.22

### **Purpose:**

To reduce morbidity and mortality from the SARS-CoV-2 virus by vaccinating all persons 6 months to 4 years old who opt to participate in a corporate or community COVID-19 vaccination event, and who do not present with any contraindications to receiving the vaccination.

### **Policy:**

- This standing order authorizes any Registered Professional Nurse, Licensed Practical Nurse, Physician, or Physician's Assistant to administer the COVID-19 vaccine, or any other professional deemed appropriate as outlined by state EU executive orders.
- Under these standing orders, and under direction of Affiliated Physicians' Medical Director, such professionals may vaccinate patients who meet the criteria outlined below by following these set procedure(s).

### **Procedure:**

1. Provide COVID-19 vaccinations to patients 6 months to 4 years old who voluntarily choose to participate in a community sponsored vaccination event and parental/guardian consent is provided.
2. Screen all patients for contraindications and precautions to COVID-19 vaccine.

### **Contraindications – for community administration of COVID-19 vaccine**

- Acute illness
  - Diagnosed with or suspected of having COVID-19
  - < 6 months or >4 years old
    - a. If patient turns five after D1 of 6mo to 4yo vaccine dosing, may choose to receive D2 of either 6mo-4yo or the 5-11 vaccine dose type. If parent consents to 6mo-4yo for a patient who turns 5 years old after D1, patient will be eligible to receive D3 of that primary series.
  - Known allergy to any component of the COVID vaccine being administered
3. Provide all participants with a copy of
    - a. COVID-19 Vaccine EUA Information Sheet – manufacturer specific
    - b. Notice of Privacy Practices and Guidelines as requested
    - c. COVID-19 Consent Form for signature
  4. Ensure that all participants sign a consent to receive a COVID-19 vaccination.

### **Standing COVID Vaccine Orders/Intervention:**

- Prepare Vaccine
  - Maroon Top: Dilute vaccine vial with 2.2mL 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP non-bacteriostatic. Do not use more than 2.2mL.
    - Thaw vaccine vial for 30 minutes at room temperature prior to dilution if frozen.
    - Dilute vaccine vial with 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP - preservative free. NEVER use bacteriostatic 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection, USP as the diluent or any other diluent other than 0.9% Sodium Chloride Injection – preservative free.
  - Label vial with date and time immediately following dilution.
  - Gently invert x 10 – DO NOT shake the vial.
  - Refer to Cold Chain Management Policy for vaccine storage and handling.
- Administer Vaccine

- Pfizer Baby Vaccine 0.2mL IM (22-25g, 5/8"-1" needle) into the anterolateral thigh muscle for those 6mo-2 years old.
- Pfizer Baby Vaccine 0.2mL IM (22-25g, 5/8"-1" needle) into the deltoid muscle for those 3 years old or >.
- Documentation
  - In medical record, record date/time of vaccine administered, the manufacturer, lot number, dose #, and vaccination site, route of administration, name of clinician and signature with event location.
  - If vaccine not given, record reason(s) for non-receipt of the vaccine (e.g., medical contraindication, patient refusal.)
  - Provide participant with filled in Vaccine Card
- Emergency Preparedness
  - Be prepared for management of a medical emergency related to the administration of vaccine by following written Emergency Medical Management Policy P014.
  - Report all adverse reactions to Affiliated Physicians HOTLINE @ 646.535.2318.
  - Serious vaccine adverse reactions according to manufacturer EUA will be reported to **Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System** (VAERS) at <https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html> or call 1-800-822-7967.

**Emergency Standing Orders/Intervention:**

- **Initial Intervention:**
  - If experiencing shortness of breath, airway tightness or swelling of the throat or face, wheezing, chest pain or chest tightness call 911 immediately and report allergic respiratory emergency.
  - Instruct individual to take slow, deep breaths.
  - Administer emergency medication based on **Emergency Medical Management Policy and Standing Orders**.
  - Keep patient comfortable and monitor vital signs.
  - Have someone stay with the individual at all times until transfer of care to EMS.

This Pfizer Baby Vaccine COVID policy, procedure and orders shall remain in effect for all patients of Affiliated Physicians until rescinded or until June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

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