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To: Maine Immunization Providers  
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The Vaccines for Children – You Call the Shots online modules for 2017 are now available online. The Maine Immunization Program (MIP) is requiring that all new Vaccines for Children (VFC) providers enrolling in 2017 complete the Vaccines for Children and Storage and Handling modules through the You Call the Shots online series. The primary and secondary vaccine managers are required to complete this, however, the MIP strongly encourages all staff involved with vaccine storage and handling to participate as well.

New providers who have never completed the You Call the Shots modules, must complete the following:

1. Storage and Handling – You Call the Shots online module at:  
<https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/sh/ce.asp>
2. Vaccines for Children- You Call the Shots online module at:  
<https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/vfc/ce.asp>

Staff who have completed both modules in a previous year will only need to do one of the following:

1. Complete the updated Storage and Handling - You Call the Shots online module at:  
<https://www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/sh/ce.asp>.
2. Attend a VFC regional training presented by the Maine Immunization Program. These will be offered in five different locations during 2017.
3. Participate in a VFC Compliance Site Visit in 2017.
4. Attend a training from Maine Health (only for providers affiliated with Maine Health).

Please be aware that this educational training will be **required on an annual basis and when new employees are hired**. A provider site must notify MIP within 7 days if your facility has a change in a vaccine manager position. MIP **will not supply** vaccine to new facilities unless both the primary and secondary vaccine managers have completed a Storage and Handling training.

If you have any questions, please contact Celeste Poulin at 207-287-4466 or email [Celeste.Poulin@maine.gov](mailto:Celeste.Poulin@maine.gov).

Thank you for your work to keep the people of Maine free from vaccine-preventable diseases.