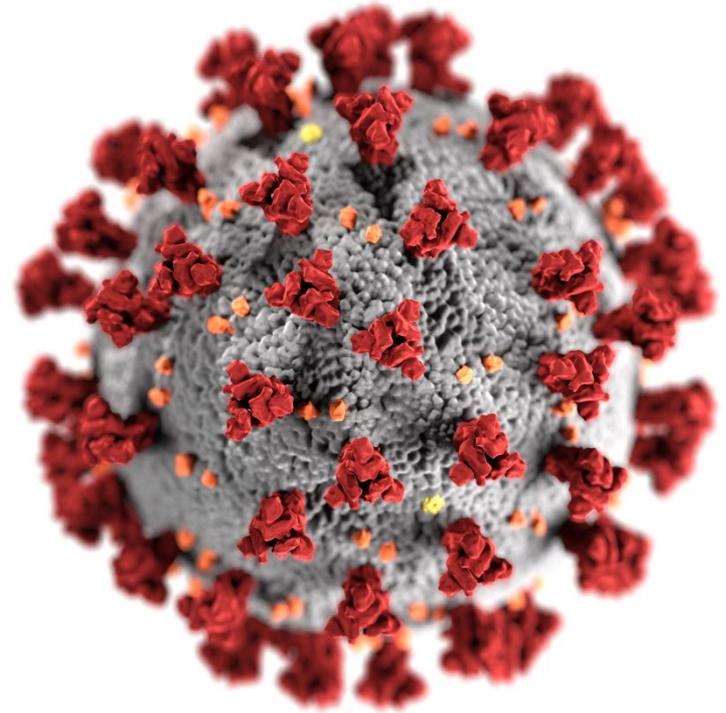


Pediatric COVID-19 Vaccine Planning for Children 6 Months–4 Years

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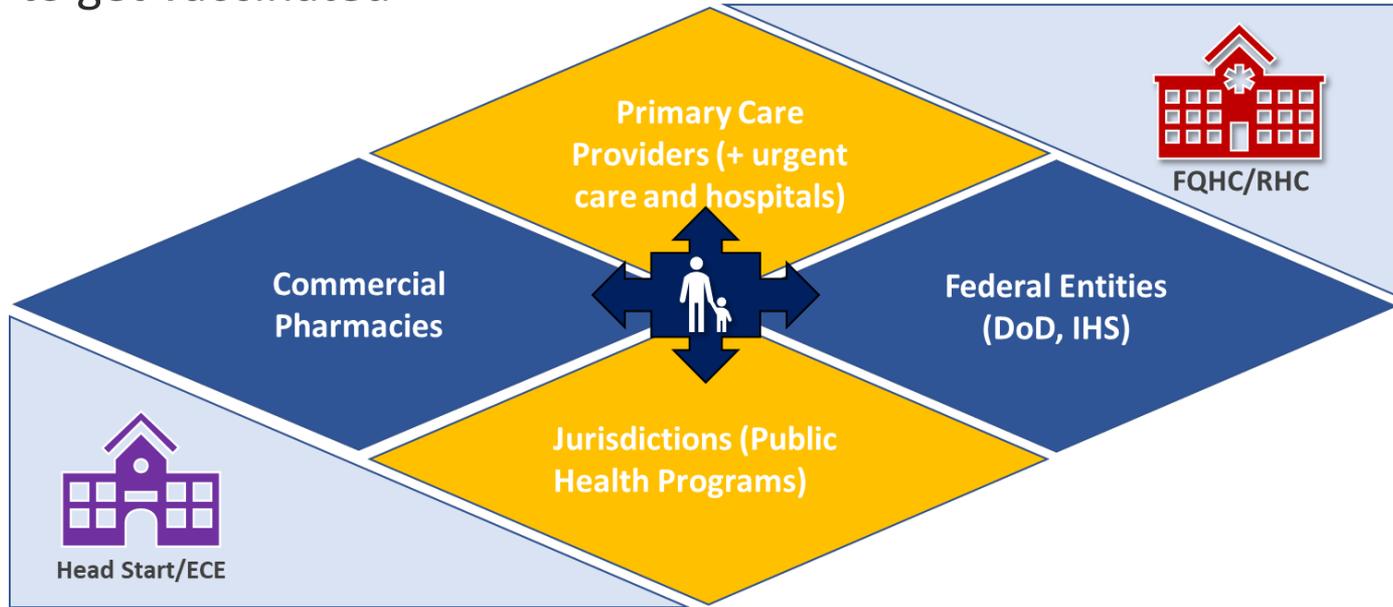
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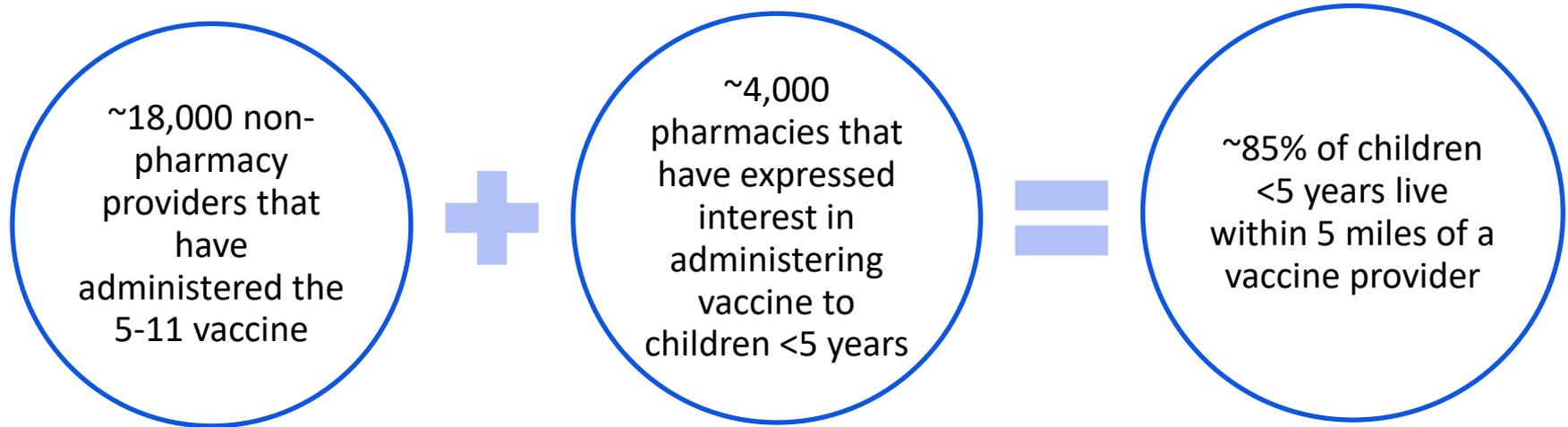
Approach to Reaching All Children Aged 6 Months–4 Years

- Goal: Ensure all eligible children <5 years old (~20 million) have access and ability to get vaccinated*



*ECE: Early care and education, DoD: Department of Defense, IHS: Indian Health Service, FQHC: Federally Qualified Health Center, RHC: Rural Health Clinic

Possible Network of Vaccine Providers for Children Aged 6 Months–4 Years



Vaccination by Regular Health Care Provider in the Medical Home

- Doctors' offices are common locations for vaccination
 - During the 2020-2021 flu season*:
 - ~80% of children 6 months–4 years old were vaccinated in a doctor's office
 - ~4% of children 2–4 years old and <1% of children <2 years old were vaccinated in a pharmacy
- Well-patient visits are an opportunity for clinicians to provide recommended vaccines and:
 - [Conduct recommended screenings](#) (such as development, autism, vision, iron deficiency, lead poisoning)
 - Provide counseling on nutrition, injury prevention, and chronic disease management



*National Immunization Survey-Flu (NIS-Flu), 2020-21 Influenza Season

COVID-19 Vaccine Practices and Intention to Vaccinate Children Aged <5 Years Among Vaccines for Children (VFC) Providers*

	All providers N=2,246** n (%)	Urban providers N=1,551 n (%)	Rural providers N=678 n (%)
Have administered COVID-19 vaccine to children aged 5–17 years	1,915 (85%)	1,338 (86%)	562 (83%)
Intend to offer COVID-19 vaccine to children aged <5 years	1,641 (73%)	1,175 (76%)	454 (67%)
Intend to offer COVID-19 vaccine to children aged <5 years who are not regular patients	1,165 (52%)	760 (49%)	395 (58%)



*Unpublished CDC data from March 2022; 15,000 of approximately 38,000 VFC provider practices randomly selected and invited to complete an online survey during February 28–March 11, 2022 (response rate = 19%)

** Limited to practices enrolled in the COVID-19 Vaccination Program. Urban/rural status could not be determined for some practices.

How CDC is Supporting Health Departments, Clinicians, and Other Partners

- Operational Planning Guide
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/downloads/Pediatric-Planning-Guide.pdf>
- Dear Colleague letter to VFC providers
- Vaccine confidence bootcamps (such as with childcare partners)
- Jurisdiction-specific maps of likely vaccine providers for children aged <5 years
- Resources to promote the COVID-19 vaccine for children and teens
 - <https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/covid-19/planning/children/resources-promote.html>



Vaccines.gov Planning

- Vaccines.gov enables the **public** to identify nearby providers with vaccine in stock, and enables **providers** to report COVID-19 vaccine inventory
- For the <5-year rollout, the minimum age (months and years) of vaccination at the location will be displayed in search results
 - Providers can report this data now
 - Example screenshot on right

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COVID-19 vaccine locations near 98102

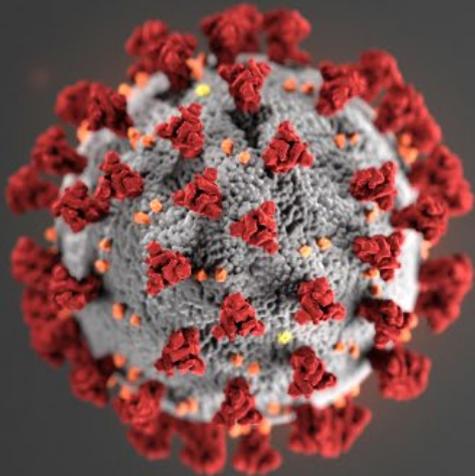
with any COVID-19 vaccine and appointments available

- Show all locations
- Hide appointments **unavailable**

Powered by **VaccineFinder**

1. [Rite Aid #RA105207](#)
201 Broadway E, Seattle, WA 98102
✔ COVID-19 appointments available
✔ Able to vaccinate kids 3+
2. [QFC Pharmacy #70500887](#)
417 Broadway E, Seattle, WA 98102
✔ COVID-19 appointments available
📞 Call for provider's age policies





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