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- ❑ Modeled after the VFC Program
- ❑ Annual reenrollment is required
- ❑ Vaccines are purchased through the CDC Adult contract
- ❑ Vaccines may be used to treat any patient 19-64 years of age who is seen at an enrolled provider practice
- ❑ Primary care practices may enroll, pharmacies may not.

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Funding

➤ Insured Population

- Vermont law requires insurers to pay into the program based on covered lives www.VTvaccine.org
- Medicaid (adult) is treated as an insurer

➤ Uninsured Population

- Federal 317 vaccine funding is used

VFA Enrollment Application

Requires actual data on the patient population 19-64 years

- ❑ Based on patients seen during the previous 12 months
- ❑ Practices report the number of adults who received ≥ 1 vaccinations
- ❑ Practices must specify the type(s) of data used to determine the provider population

Vaccines Offered through the VFA Program

MMR

Hep A

Hep B

HZV (Shingles)

9vHPV

Tdap

MenACWY

MenB

TD

PCV13

PPSV23

Varicella

**Adult flu vaccine is
currently not available**

2016 Adult Immunization Rates, BRFSS

- Tdap (> 18 years) – 74.5%
- Pneumococcal (18-64 years, at risk) – 38.4%
- Pneumococcal (≥ 65 years) – 76.8%
- Zoster (60-64 years) – 45.5%

Adult AFIX??

Initial Planning:

- Identify practices with the lowest immunization rates
- Assess IIS data quality
- Focus on key strategies - consider state healthcare reform initiatives
- Develop tracking system
- Test new “Adult AFIX” with a few practices; tweak as indicated

VFA Program Challenges

- ❑ Medicare doesn't contribute; therefore it only covers adults through 64 years
- ❑ Multiple immunization providers – only PCP's allowed to enroll in VFA
- ❑ Difficult to project vaccine demand at PCP's
- ❑ Flu vaccine isn't currently included in VFA Program (risk related to pre-buy)
- ❑ New ACIP recommendations (ie: RZV-Shingrix) – mid-year changes