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TO: **Health Care Provider – Ambulatory Surgical Center; ARKids First-B; Child Health Services (EPSDT); Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC); Hospital; Nurse Practitioner; Physician; Rural Health Clinic and Arkansas Division of Health**

DATE: **July 10, 2006**

SUBJECT: **Vaccines Available in the Vaccines for Children (VFC) Program**

The purpose of this Official Notice is to inform providers of vaccines available through the VFC Program, conditions of coverage and billing instructions.

- I. Effective for dates of service on and after July 10, 2006, a new vaccine, “rotavirus vaccine, pentavalent, 3 dose schedule, live, for oral use” (Rota Teq) is available through VFC. This vaccine is covered by Medicaid *only* through the VFC Program for children ages 6 weeks through 32 weeks. When filing claims, procedure code **90680** must be used with modifiers **EP** and **TJ**. For paper claims, providers must enter a type of service code “**6**” *and* the modifiers.

For beneficiaries of the **ARKids First-B Program**, this procedure must be billed with modifier **TJ**. For paper claims, a type of service code “**1**” *and* the modifier **TJ** are required.

- II. Procedure code **90648**, “hemophilus influenza b vaccine (Hib), PRP-T conjugate (4 dose schedule), for intramuscular use”, available through the VFC program, is covered by Medicaid *only* through the VFC program for beneficiaries under age 19. Claims require modifiers **EP** and **TJ**. When filing claims on paper, a type of service code “**6**” is required along with the modifiers.

For beneficiaries of the **ARKids First-B Program**, this procedure code must be billed with modifier **TJ**. Paper claims require a type of service code “**1**” *and* the modifier **TJ**.

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