COVID-19 Vaccine for Ages 5-11 - ODH Releases Updated Resources for Providers

COVID-19 vaccinations for children ages 5-11 can begin as quickly as possible now that the federal review and authorization process is complete.

On November 2nd, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine pediatric formulation for children ages 5-11 following a thorough review of the vaccine’s safety and effectiveness.

The Ohio Department of Health issued guidance for providers on the administration of COVID-19 vaccines for children ages 5-11, which can be accessed here: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/COVID511

As a reminder, COVID-19 vaccines may be administered by qualifying pharmacy personnel to children in this age group. To assist licensees, the Board has issued the following guidance on the administration of COVID-19 vaccinations under state and federal law (e.g. PREP Act):

- For pharmacists and interns: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/COVIDvaccine
- For qualified techs: www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/TechAdmin

Pharmacists, interns, and technicians are strongly encouraged to review these documents to ensure compliance with the requirements for COVID-19 vaccine administration.

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