AMERICAN ACADEMY OF PEDIATRICS—MARYLAND CHAPTER

Questionnaire to Determine Attitudes and Practices Regarding Immunizing Children

Against Influenza

1. Is your practice?: urban suburban rural	
2. Approximately how many patients does your practice serve?	
3. Estimate the percent of patients in the following at-risk categories you immunize with	
flu vaccine who are:	
a. Children aged 6-23 months	
b. Children aged 24-59 months	
c. Children at high-risk	
d. Children who are household contacts of high-risk individuals	
3a. Do you have a callback system for flu immunization? Yes	No
4. Do you immunize patients during:	
a. Regular visits Yes	No
b. Special influenza immunization clinics Yes	No
c. Sick visits Yes	No
[Respondents can select more than one category]	
5. What percent of children in your practice are VFC eligible?	
6. Is influenza immunization profitable for your practice?	
a. Significantly profitable	
b. Minimally profitable	
c. Cost neutral	
d. Produces a loss	

7. What would improve profitability?
8. Would you be supportive of a school-based immunization program? Yes No
9. Would you participate in a school immunization program? Yes No
10. What, if anything, would persuade you to participate?
a. Financial remuneration
b. Civic involvement
c. Source of new patients
d. Nothing
11. How might you participate?
a. On-site supervision
b. Off-site supervision
12. What percentage of the following vaccines do you use in your practice?
a. Thimerosal-free injectable inactivated
b. Thimerosal-containing multiple dose injectable inactivated
c. Nasal spray live attenuated
13. FluMist is presently being considered by the FDA for supplemental licensure for
children 1-5 years of age without a history of wheezing or asthma. You are already asking
a number of questions before giving any influenza vaccine to children (e.g., history of egg
allergy or Guillan-Barre Syndrome). How much more burdensome would it be to ask the
following additional question? $(1 = not at all; 5 = very)$
Has the parent or healthcare provider ever noted wheezing or asthma in this child?

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