SDIIS MEMORANDUM 2022-01

TO: All Vaccine Providers
FROM: Brett Oakland
DATE: 07/07/2022
RE: SDIIS Transition to new vendor platform

The South Dakota Department of Health pleased to announce that work is underway to implement a new Immunization Information System. SD DOH has contracted with STChealth (STC) to provide the new system, which will replace the current Avanza system that has been in operation for more than 25 years.

STC is one of the leading IIS vendors and currently provides an IIS platform for 13 other jurisdictions in the US and its territories. The new platform will provide all the same functions we enjoy with our current system, including vaccination data entry, inventory management, and coverage reports, but it will offer improved functionality with bi-directional interfacing with electronic health record systems, inventory decrementing, and a sophisticated algorithm to improve both patient and vaccination deduplication. Our VFC providers will be able to maintain storage unit temperatures and submit monthly reports through the new IIS.

STC offers two other exciting functions that will greatly enhance service. The new IIS will include a School Nurse Module to help our schools and districts monitor school rosters and vaccination rates within each school and district. STC also provides a public access module called MyIR. Through the MyIR application, patients and parents can safely and securely obtain their own or their minor child’s immunization records to assist with daycare entry, travel purposes, or other situations when immunization records are needed.

We expect to go live with the new IIS in spring 2023! STC will provide trainings for the multitude of tasks that will be available for end users and management. The new system will also have a more secure and modern username and password renewal process.

Stay tuned for more updates regarding this exciting transition!

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