Public Health Information Management System

SYSTEM UPDATE

DECEMBER 2023

Immunization Updates & Reminders

Out of province vaccines

Out of province vaccines have been added to the Agent drop list as: <disease name>-unknown-out of province. Please only select these values when a client's out of Province vaccine record cannot be reliably interpreted.

Mass Immunization Events (MIE) – Event Type

When creating a MIE, 'Event Type' is a mandatory field. As per direction from Health, Seniors and Long-Term Care, COVID-19 vaccine may be included in the Flu/Pneumococcal combined MIEs and the Event Type should be set to 'Flu'. For Covid-19 only MIEs, the Event Type would be 'Community' (previously 'Outbreak'). The following QRCs and Guides have been updated to reflect this: *QRC MIE Create, COVID-19 Mass Imms Events Guide - Congregate Settings, COVID-19 Mass Imms Events Guide – PCH.*

Petal MD and PHIMS MIE integration

A reminder that the Petal MD Vaccine Appointment booking system is integrated with the PHIMS Mass Immunization Event (MIE) feature. MIEs are automatically generated for all Regional Health Authorities. Regions using these automatically generated MIEs will need to review and update the MIEs prior to the scheduled clinics to ensure the correct information has been added to the MIEs e.g. Organization, Service Delivery Location (SDL), Immunizing agent(s), Providers, etc. To properly prepare a MIE that originated from Petal, please follow the clinic set-up guide:

[Scheduled Petal Clinics, Updating Mass Imms Event Guide](#).

For more information, visit:
www.phimsmb.ca

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Immunization Query Service (IQS)

IQS is a new web services that will enhance immunization data sharing between Public Health and Primary Care. IQS will allow designated users from Electronic Medical Record (EMR) enrolled clinics to retrieve clients' immunization history from PHIMS and incorporate the records into the client chart within the clinic's EMR. Once enrolled and assessed, clinics will begin using IQS in the coming months.

Here is the link to the IQS FAQ:

https://healthproviders.sharedhealthmb.ca/files/iqs-faq.pdf

Here is the link to the IQS video:

https://youtu.be/T0_vj08QG4s

Inventory Reminders

Expired Product

Return any expired products to MDA following your normal process (for publicly funded products ordered through MDA only). Please ensure your inventory is kept up to date for all products that are managed within PHIMS.

Diluent

Do NOT order diluent. Diluent is automatically added to an inventory requisition if the ordered vaccine requires diluent. Adding additional diluent will delay the process as the requisition will require an additional manual approval step in PHIMS.

General Information

Quick Reference Cards (QRCs)

QRCs are updated on a regular basis, please refer to the PHIMS website to ensure you are viewing the latest version of all QRCs: phimsmb.ca.

Password Resets

When contacting the Service desk for a password reset, you must speak with a live agent as voicemail messages will not be actioned. Users must have their Authentication Questions on file with the Service Desk to reset their passwords.

General Information cont'd

Remote Access

If you access PHIMS via remote access with 2-factor authentication during login, any changes to your cell phone or smart phone number must be reported to the Shared Health Service Desk to ensure that there is no interruption in your service. You must speak with a live agent when reporting this change.

Annual PHIMS Review of Users and Authorized Sponsors/Requestors

Annual clean-up of all PHIMS users will kick off in the new year, and will include the verification of roles that users have access to. Please watch out for those emails.

Concurrently, the verification of Authorized Sponsors and Authorized requestors will begin in January.

Please ensure the documents are reviewed and responded to in a timely manner.

Wishing everyone a safe and happy holiday season, looking forward to greater things in

2024

the PHIMS team