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GROUP: 10200 – INFLUENZA VACCINE
(MMCAP) (Statewide)

PLEASE ADDRESS INQUIRIES TO:

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SUBJECT: INFLUENZA VACCINE SHIPPING DELAY 2014-2015

TO ALL STATE AGENCIES AND OTHERS AUTHORIZED TO USE STATE CONTRACTS:

MMCAP (Minnesota Multistate Contracting Alliance for Pharmacy) reports that shipping of the 2014-2015 influenza vaccine orders is delayed. Listed below are current updates for each OGS statewide influenza vaccine contract (MMCAP statewide) and the link to the contract. We will update you when any further information becomes available. Please contact us if you have any questions.

- Sanofi Pasteur reports a delay of vaccine delivery of August shipments to September due to production and regulatory delays. They are not predicting a shortage of vaccine but a delay across the entire brand to be experienced by all customers. The majority of their vaccine shipments will be delivered in September and October.
<http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/awards/1020022555CAN.HTM>
Sanofi Pasteur, Inc.: 10200-22555
- FFF Enterprises, Inc. is a distributor and will experience delays of the same products whose manufacturers are reporting delays. FFF is shipping vaccine immediately upon receipt from the manufacturer. For those who have ordered GSK vaccine, GSK continues to shift customers to Fluarix due to manufacturing issues with Flulaval.
<http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/awards/1020022797CAN.HTM>
FFF Enterprises, Inc.: 10200-22797
- There is no report as of September 15, 2014 from Novartis.
<http://www.ogs.ny.gov/purchase/spg/awards/1020022761CAN.HTM>
Novartis Vaccines and Diagnostics, Inc.: 10200-22761

The following is a link to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website that addresses frequently asked questions on vaccine distribution:
<http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/qa/vaxdistribution.htm>