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Facility Site Review (FSR) Provider Pearls - October 2018



“**Provider Pearls**” are monthly articles written to help you prepare for the California Department of Health Care Services

(DHCS) FSR review processes. If a clinic manager, office manager, nurse manager, or operations person, can take the time to independently self-monitor clinic practices with the aid of SFHP checklists and DHCS guidelines at least annually, we can all work together to strive toward improved quality standards in office practice operations.

Yearly Flu Vaccination and Your Medical Record Review Audits

In the DHCS Medical Record Review (MRR) Guidelines, practitioners are required to ensure the provision of immunizations according to the most recent CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) guidelines, unless medically contraindicated or refused by the member or member’s representative.

Immunization status is assessed at each health assessment visit.

As health care providers, we know there are many stories about flu vaccines circulating among the public. Take some time to read the CDC's flu FAQs to refresh knowledge on this important step toward protecting members against flu and its

approximately 40% to 60% among the overall population when the vaccine viruses are like the ones spreading in the community?^[i]

The MRR review process looks at members' vaccine documentation, and specifically if annual flu vaccines are given to all eligible candidates. If you have any questions about Medical Record Reviews, or would like 1:1 consultation on how best to prepare for site or record audits, please contact Jackie Hägg, RN, MSN, LNC, at jhagg@sfhp.org or by her direct line at 415-615-5637.



[CDC Flu FAQs](#)

[i] <https://www.cdc.gov/flu/pdf/freeresources/general/why-get-flu-vaccine.pdf>

[Prevention and Control of Seasonal Influenza with Vaccines: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices — United States, 2018–19 Influenza Season](#)

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