

June 5, 2024

Sent by e-mail

Commissioner Mark A. Levine, MD
Vermont Department of Health
108 Cherry Street
Burlington, VT 05402

RE: Immunization Funding Advisory Committee Recommendations

Dear Commissioner Levine:

The Immunization Funding Advisory Committee met on May 30, 2024 pursuant to 18 V.S.A. §1130. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the cost of vaccines and vote on the SFY25 assessment rate for children and adults for the Vermont Vaccine Purchasing Program.

We are pleased to report that the Committee voted unanimously on these matters after meaningful discussion. 18 V.S.A. §1130(g) provides that the “Committee is established to provide the Commissioner of Health with an annual per-member per-month cost for vaccines for the pediatric population, an annual per-member per-month cost for vaccines for the adult population, and a recommendation for the amount of the yearly vaccine assessment.” The Committee voted unanimously as follows:

To provide the Commissioner of Health with the Committee’s findings that the per-member per month costs for vaccines are as follows:

	Annual Cost	Per-Month Cost
1. Pediatric population cost:	\$127.93	\$10.66
2. Adult population cost:	\$ 18.46	\$ 1.54

To provide the Commissioner of Health with the Committee’s recommendation that the SFY25 Assessment Rate should be as follows:

	Annual Assessment	Per-Month Assessment
1. Pediatric population cost:	\$127.93	\$10.66
2. Adult population cost:	\$ 18.46	\$ 1.54

We are writing to share these numbers for your consideration. The statute provides that these numbers will be established by the Commissioner based on the recommendation of the Committee. We have included a line below for your signature to adopt these recommendations if you wish to establish these numbers as recommended. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us, and we will be glad to assist. If you wish to set another rate, please provide further guidance on how we should proceed.

Once you have established these rates, VDH has directed KidsVax® to publish them to the website at www.VTvaccine.org. We will also update the assessment system with these new numbers. We look forward to hearing from you. If we can be of further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,



Seema Mack, President & CEO
KidsVax®

After reviewing the recommendations of the Immunization Funding Advisory Committee, and after consultation with Merideth Plumpton, the Immunization Program Manager, I adopt the Committee's findings regarding the cost of vaccines. I further adopt the Committee's recommendations regarding the assessment rate and set the SFY25 assessment rate as recommended. I direct VVPP to post a notice of the SFY25 Assessment Rate at www.VTvaccine.org.

Signed:

6/5/2024
Date



Mark A. Levine, MD, Commissioner
Vermont Department of Health

cc: Merideth Plumpton, RN, Immunization Program Manager
John Saroyan, MD, Chair, Immunization Funding Advisory Committee