

Important Update: AB 1797 Immunization Registry

Alameda Alliance for Health (Alliance) values our dedicated provider partner community. We have an important update we would like to share with you.

Assembly Bill 1797 (AB 1797) was signed by Governor Newsom to update the current immunization registry statute.

Effective Sunday, January 1, 2023, California healthcare providers who administer vaccines will be required to complete the following:

- Immunization information into the California Immunization Registry CAIR2 data information system, or RIDE/Healthy Futures.
- Race and ethnicity information for each patient in the immunization registry to help support the assessment of health disparities in immunization coverage.

How to address parents' concerns about privacy

The California Immunization Registry CAIR2 data information system and RIDE/Healthy Futures are safe and private. By law, only authorized users in people in medical offices or health plans can use the registries. In addition, schools, childcare centers, Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) programs, foster care agencies, and other programs can get authorization to look up immunization records for the children they serve. These registries are only used to check immunization records, learn what immunizations are due, and how many children need immunizations.

Providers must also inform parents and caretakers before their children's information is added to the California Immunization Registry CAIR2 data information system or RIDE/Healthy Futures and give them a copy of the Immunization Registry Notice to read.

For more information about the California Immunization Registry CAIR2 data information system or to start the enrollment process, visit the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) website at: www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CAIR/Pages/CAIR-updates.aspx

To view the AB 1797 Immunization Registry FAQs, please visit the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) website at:

www.cdph.ca.gov/Programs/CID/DCDC/CAIR/Pages/AB1797-Registry-FAQs.aspx.

Thank you for your continued partnership and for providing high-quality care to our members and the community. Together, we are creating a healthier community for all.

Questions? Please call the Alliance Provider Services Department Monday – Friday, 7:30 am – 5 pm Phone Number: **1.510.747.4540** www.alamedaalliance.org