PURPOSE: To document that Vaccine Information Statements (VISs) were furnished to vaccine recipients.

POLICY: Legal requirements concerning the use of VISs will utilize the following measures.

PROCEDURES:

1. The most current VIS available for that vaccine will be given to the patient prior to administration of the vaccine.

2. The date the VIS was given is recorded within PnC.

3. The publication date of the VIS, which appears on the bottom of the VIS, is recorded within PnC.
   
   3.1. Chief of Staff, Nursing Supervisor, Pharmacy Supervisor, and Immunization Nurse will keep current when VIS has been updated by subscribing to the Immunization Action Coalition, IAC Express email at, http://www.immunize.org/subscribe. This information will be forwarded to the GMC Front Desk Nurse Aide.
   
   3.2. Nursing Supervisor and Immunization Nurse will request a semiannual review, (June and December), to be performed by the GMC Front Desk Nursing Assistant.
      
      3.2.1. The GMC Front Desk Nursing Assistant will request a printout of the dates for VIS publication entered in PnC from the Pharmacy or Nursing Supervisor.
      
      3.2.2. The printout from PnC will be compared with most current versions listed on the immunize.org website.
      
      3.2.3. Publication dates that need revision in PnC will be submitted to Pharmacy or Nursing Supervisor.

4. Nursing or Pharmacy Supervisor will enter the revised VIS publication date in PnC by opening “OpenAdmin,” scrolling to “Clinical Setup,” and opening the “Immunization” folder.
References:
It’s federal Law! Publication per Immunization Action Coalition:  
National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP): 
http://www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation/, covered vaccines:  
http://www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation/covered_vaccines.htm
Complete set of most current versions of VISs: http://immunize.org/vis/