Michigan VERA Birth Guidance Submitting Immunization Information

Babies born to a pregnant person identified as being infected with the hepatitis B virus need both hepatitis B vaccine and Hepatitis B Immune Globulin (HBIG) within 12 hours of birth. All other babies born in Michigan should get the hepatitis B vaccine within 24 hours of birth. To create a New Immunization report in VERA, in the birth registration menu under Other Registries, select “Immunization” then click on the New Immunization button.

Next, enter whether the hepatitis B vaccine and the HBIG were administered. If the hepatitis B vaccine and/or the HBIG were given, mark Yes and enter the administration date, along with the Manufacturer and Lot#. If the hepatitis B vaccine was not administered, mark No. When selecting No, a reason must be provided. If selecting Other (Specify), provide a reason.

If the person entering this data cannot verify if the hepatitis B vaccine or HBIG were administered, enter Unknown. All efforts need to be made to verify vaccination status before marking Unknown.

For more information regarding hepatitis B and prevention, please reach out to the Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program at (517) 242-8319.