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A. DHS Office of Health Affairs Occupational Health and Safety Advisory, FAQs Related to Potential Health Risks Associated with Hurricane Recovery and Flood-Affected Areas, 19 SEPT 2017
1. REF (A) recommends administration of the typhoid vaccine to DHS personnel involved with hurricane or flood response and recovery in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands.
2. Typhoid is a bacterial disease that is generally contracted from contaminated food or water. The typhoid vaccine is not 100% effective and is not a substitute for eating and drinking safely.
3. It is strongly recommended that CG personnel (uniformed and civilian) obtain the typhoid vaccine before deploying to Puerto Rico and U.S. Virgin Islands if they will be participating in the hurricane response. It may take 1 to 2 weeks after receiving the typhoid vaccine to obtain immunity. If personnel are deployed prior to receiving the typhoid vaccination, then it is recommended that they receive the typhoid vaccination as soon as possible while deployed.
4. Typhoid vaccination is available as a single injectable vaccination (inactivated vaccine) or as an oral form (live vaccine) taken over a week-long period of time. The oral vaccine requires refrigeration which may not be available while deployed.
5. It is recommended that civilian personnel speak with their primary care provider for additional guidance.
6. SELRES personnel who incur out-of-pocket expenses related to getting a typhoid vaccination may request reimbursement from HSWL SC using the Claim for Reimbursement for Expenditures on Official Business, Form OF1164 which can be found at https://www.gsa.gov/portal/forms/download/150834. In addition to the completed OF1164, SELRES personnel must submit a copy of the invoice or receipt provided by the medical facility administering the vaccination to SKC Robert Mastrianni (757-628-4372, Robert.M.Mastrianni@uscg.mil). Military personnel using this option must provide medical documentation of immunization to their Coast Guard Health Record Custodian. The medical documentation must include the date the vaccine was administered, the vaccine name or code, the manufacturer and lot number, the dose administered, route and anatomic site of vaccination.
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9. Internet release authorized.