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Recommended recipients

1. **Persons at high risk of influenza-related complications or who are more likely to require hospitalization**
   - pregnant women
   - residents of long-term care/retirement homes
   - residents of other chronic care facilities
   - people ≥ 65 years old and children six months to five years old
   - indigenous peoples
   - adults or children (over six months) with underlying health conditions

2. **Persons capable of transmitting influenza to individuals at high risk of complications** (health care workers, child care providers, families expecting a newborn, household contacts of young children)
Publicly funded products

- **Trivalent inactivated vaccine (TIV)**
  - High dose Fluzone

- **Quadrivalent inactivated vaccine (QIV)**
  - Flu Laval® Tetra
  - Fluzone®
  - Flucelvax®
What about high-dose vaccine?

• Trivalent contains higher amount of antigen per strain
• Improves immune response and how well vaccine works compared to standard dose trivalent vaccines
• Insufficient evidence to recommend high-dose TIV over standard-dose QIV
• Given the increased burden of disease of influenza A (H3N2) in older adults, better protection against influenza A may be more important than better protection against influenza B
• NACI: when available, high-dose TIV should be used over standard-dose TIV in adults 65 years of age and older
Trivalent vaccine

Fluzone® High Dose

• Inactivated
• Licensed for 65 years of age and over
• Available in prefilled syringe
• Needle not supplied
• Supplied in boxes of five doses
Quadrivalent vaccine: Fluzone®
(available in two formats)

Pre-filled syringe
• Inactivated
• For all individuals greater than six months of age
• Needle not attached
• Supplied in boxes of 10 doses

Multi-dose vial
• Inactivated
• For all individuals greater than six months of age
• 10 doses/vial
• Discard 28 days after opening
• Date vial after opening
Quadrivalent vaccine: Flu Laval®

- Inactivated
- Multi-dose vial
- 10 doses/vial
- For all individuals greater than six months of age
- Discard 28 days after opening
- Date vial after opening
2020-2021 Influenza vaccine coverage (Egg-Based)

**Trivalent:**
- A/Guangdong-Maonan/SWL1536/2019(H1N1)pdm09-like virus*
- A/Hong Kong/2671/2019(H3N2)-like-virus*
- B/Washington/02/2019/(B/Victoria lineage)-like virus*

**Quadrivalent:**
- Above three strains plus:
- B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus(B/Yamagata/16/88 lineage

* new strains this year
Influenza vaccine administration

Dosage
All ages: 0.5 ml
Route: I.M.

- Children six months up to nine years of age
  - Who have received one or more doses of seasonal influenza vaccine in the past
  - Recommended to receive only one dose of influenza vaccine per season after that
Packaging and Shipment

• Distribution and shipping will begin week of October 5, 2020
• An advisory with shipping information has been sent out to you including a form regarding clinic dates
• If you did not receive the information, please contact Kathy Rosenberg at 519-575-4400 ext. 4107
• Allow 7-10 days for processing and delivery
• Shipment will be based on last year's usage and returns
Delivery

- Please note the day of delivery to your facility
- If your delivery date falls on statutory holiday, your order will be delivered on the following Wednesday
Zone 1 (Monday)

- Beechwood Manor
- Chartwell Bankside Retirement Residence
- Chartwell Clair Hills Retirement Residence
- Columbia Forest
- Highland Place
- Luther Village
- The Westhill
- The Village at University Gates - LTC and Retirement
Zone 2 (Tuesday)

- Barnswallow Place
- Briarfield Gardens
- Chartwell Elmira - LTC and Retirement
- Chartwell Terrace on the Square
- Derbecker’s Heritage House

- Fergus Place
- Parkwood Mennonite Home
- Peoplecare A.R. Goudie
- Pinehaven Villages
- Sunnyside Home
- Twin Oaks of Maryhill
Zone 3 (Thursday)

- Chartwell Westmount LTC and Retirement Home
- Conestoga Lodge
- Doon Village Retirement Residence
- Forest Heights
- Highview Residences
- Lanark Heights
- Lanark Village
- Nithview Home
- Sunbeam Centre
- Trinity Village Care Centre
- Trinity Village Studios
- Victoria Place
- The Village at Winston Park - LTC and Retirement
Zone 4 (Friday)

- Cambridge Country Manor
- Chartwell Queen's Square Retirement Residence
- Fairview Mennonite Home
- Golden Years Nursing Home
- Granite Landing
- PeopleCare Hilltop Manor

- Riverbend Place
- St. Andrew's Terrace
- St. Lukes's Place
- Stirling Heights
On site community influenza immunization clinics

May only be offered by Long Term Care Facilities

What is needed to offer a community clinic?
• Medical directives in place:
  • Administration of influenza vaccine (see UIIP Package)
  • Managing fainting and anaphylaxis (see UIIP Package)
On site community influenza immunization clinics (continued)

• Community clinic not to be held until the end of October/beginning of November (official launch for general population)
• Vaccine provided free of charge
• Pre-event clinic promotion visible and accessible to the public
• Clinic to be open and accessible to all eligible vaccine recipients of Ontario
• The MOHLTC must not be billed for these immunizations through another mechanism i.e. OHIP
• Vaccine utilization forms are available on the UIIP website and need to be sent electronically to the Ministry for reimbursement
• Please indicate on order form that vaccine is for a community clinic
Pharmacies

• Can offer a clinic in retirement homes to residents only
• Must have prequalified for UIIP (Universal Influenza Immunization Program)
• Will be offering Fluzone TIV High dose*

*New this year
Vaccine storage and cold chain practices

• Store your vaccine between 2˚ - 8 ° Celsius
• Monitor and document temperatures twice daily:
  • current temperature
  • minimum temperature
  • maximum temperature
• Call Public Health if temperatures <2.0 degrees or >8.0 degrees C
• Wait for Public Health’s advice prior to administration or discarding of vaccine
Vaccine handling and storage

• Please educate your staff in reporting out of range temperatures
• Have a back up plan or contingency plan
• If not sure. Call Public Health
• Fax all temperature logs monthly, at the beginning of each month, to Public Health at 519-883-2248
Reporting requirements

• No Big Shot Challenge Program this season
• Please continue to promote the flu vaccine throughout your facility
• LTCH will be contacted by the Ministry directly to report staff immunization rates
• Continue to report staff and resident immunization rates to Public Health by December 15, 2020
For more information, please call the Respiratory Line at:

519-575-4400 ext 5506