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Dear Colleague:

This is an update on the availability and distribution of seasonal influenza vaccine. Currently, vaccine manufacturers predict that as many as 151-166 million doses of influenza vaccine will be distributed nationally for use during the 2017-18 season. Flu vaccination should be well underway at your facility.

In New York City (NYC), we have received about half of our total flu vaccine allocation for the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Flu vaccine orders continue to be filled at this time, though facilities may be receiving partial shipments until their order has been completely shipped. As of September 15, 2017, only 81% of VFC providers have ordered flu vaccine. All VFC providers are expected to offer flu vaccine to their patients. **VFC providers who have not yet ordered flu vaccine should do so immediately.** All products are in good supply. For questions about your VFC flu order, please call (347) 396-2489.

Each year in the United States, millions of children get sick with influenza, thousands are hospitalized and some die. Children younger than 5 years and, especially those younger than 2 years, are at high risk of serious influenza complications. Still, flu vaccine coverage in NYC was very low in the 2016-17 season. Only 61% of children aged 6 through 59 months and 49% of children aged 5 through 8 years received at least one dose of influenza vaccine, both of which represent declines from the 2015-16 season. In addition, only 37% of children aged 9 through 18 years were vaccinated and, while this translates to a slight increase from 2015-16, it is still far below the Healthy People goal of 70%. Furthermore, there were 6 influenza-associated pediatric deaths in NYC in 2016-17.

As a reminder, all people aged 6 months and older should receive a flu vaccine annually, especially children less than 5 years of age, people with long-term health conditions, pregnant women, and people aged 65 years and older. Additional information on influenza activity, flu vaccine recommendations, and educational materials are available at www.nyc.gov/flu.

New influenza vaccine codes were released (see attached sheets). Please share this information with your technology staff, billing system staff or vendor, and/or electronic health record vendor so that your system's vaccine codes can be updated. Regularly maintaining and updating your system will enable you to report vaccines correctly to the Citywide Immunization Registry (CIR), so take this opportunity to review all your vaccine codes and check for miscoding errors. Please refer to CDC's CPT Codes Mapped to CVX Codes at <https://www2a.cdc.gov/vaccines/iis/iisstandards/vaccines.asp?rpt=cpt>.

For questions on flu vaccine, other than those pertaining to your VFC order, please call (347) 396-2400 or email nycimmunize@health.nyc.gov. We thank you for your continued efforts in protecting NYC residents from influenza.

Sincerely,

Jane R. Zucker, MD, MSc

Vaccine Name	Product Names	Manufacturer Code	CIR Code	CPT Code	Vaccine Description	NYC VFC
Influenza, injectable, quadrivalent (IIV4) preservative free, pediatric	Fluzone® Quadrivalent (6-35 mos)	PMC	161	90685	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, preservative free, 0.25 mL dosage when administered to children 6 through 35 months of age, for intramuscular use	Y
Influenza, injectable, quadrivalent (IIV4), preservative free	Afluria® Quadrivalent (≥18 yrs) Fluarix® Quadrivalent (≥3 yrs) Fluzone® Quadrivalent (≥3 yrs) FluLaval® Quadrivalent (≥6 mos)	SEQ SKB PMC SKB	150	90686	Influenza, inactivated virus vaccine, seasonal, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage when administered to individuals for intramuscular use. Age varies by product.	Y
Influenza, injectable, quadrivalent (IIV4)	Fluzone® Quadrivalent (6-35 mos) Fluzone® Quadrivalent (≥3 yrs) FluLaval® Quadrivalent (≥6 mos) Afluria® Quadrivalent (≥18 yrs)	PMC PMC SKB SEQ	158	90687 90688	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, 0.25 mL dosage when administered to children 6-35 months of age, for intramuscular use Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, 0.5 mL dosage when administered to individuals for intramuscular use. Age varies by product.	Y
Influenza, injectable, MDCK, quadrivalent, (ccIIV4), preservative free	Flucelvax® Quadrivalent (≥4 yrs)	SEQ	171	90674	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (ccIIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use, for individuals ≥4 years of age	N
Influenza, injectable, MDCK, quadrivalent, (ccIIV4)	Flucelvax® Quadrivalent (≥4 yrs)	SEQ	186	90749 90756 (Jan. 2018)	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (ccIIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use, for individuals ≥4 years of age	N
Influenza, intradermal, quadrivalent (IIV4, ID), preservative free	Fluzone® Intradermal (≥18 yrs)	PMC	166	90630	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent, split virus, preservative-free, for intradermal use, for use in individuals 18 to ≤64 years of age.	N
Influenza, recombinant, quadrivalent (RIV4), injectable, preservative free	FLUBlok® (≥18 yrs)	PSC	185	90682	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (RIV4), derived from recombinant DNA, hemagglutinin (HA) protein only, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use, for ≥18 years	N

Vaccine Name	Product Names	Manufacturer Code	CIR Code	CPT Code	Vaccine Description	NYC VFC
Influenza, virus vaccine, (IIV3), injectable, preservative free	Afluria® (≥ 5 yrs) Fluvirin® (≥ 4 yrs)	SEQ SEQ	140	90656	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative-free, 0.5 mL dosage, for use in individuals 4 years of age and above (varies by product), for intramuscular use	N
Influenza, virus vaccine, (IIV3), injectable	Afluria® (≥ 5 yrs) Fluvirin® (≥ 4 yrs)	SEQ SEQ	141	90658	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative-free, 0.5 mL dosage, for use in individuals 4 years of age and above (varies by product), for intramuscular use	N
Influenza, recombinant, injectable, (RIV3), preservative free	FLUBlok® (≥ 18 yrs)	PSC	155	90673	Influenza, inactivated cell culture vaccine, seasonal, trivalent, injectable, preservative free, for individuals >18 years of age, for intramuscular use	N
Influenza, trivalent, adjuvanted	FLUAD™ (≥ 65 yrs)	SEQ	168	90653	Influenza virus vaccine, inactivated, subunit, adjuvanted for IM use, preservative free, for individuals ≥65 years of age	N
Influenza, high-dose (IIV3, IM) preservative-free	Fluzone® High-Dose (≥ 65 yrs)	PMC	135	90662	Influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative free, enhanced immunogenicity via increased antigen content, for intramuscular use, for use in individuals ≥65 years of age.	N
Influenza, seasonal, intradermal (IIV3, ID) preservative free	Fluzone® Intradermal	PMC	144	90654	influenza virus vaccine, split virus, preservative-free, for intradermal use, for use in individuals 18 to ≤64 years of age.	N
Influenza, live, intranasal, quadrivalent (LAIV ₄)	Flumist® Quadrivalent	MED	149	90672	Influenza live virus vaccine, seasonal, quadrivalent, for intranasal use, for individuals 2 through 49 years of age	N