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Immunization Program

TO: All CVP Providers

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SUBJECT: Update on Seasonal Flu Vaccine Availability

The purpose of this communication is to notify you of the availability of seasonal flu vaccine.

Pediatric Influenza Vaccine

The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommends that all children aged 6 months through 18 years be vaccinated yearly against influenza. For the 2019–20 flu season the CVP will only be supplying Quadrivalent vaccines licensed for use. The full 2019 Influenza Vaccine Recommendations will soon be available at: www.cdc.gov/mmwr.

The Immunization Program will provide several different formulations of vaccine available to immunize all children aged 6 through 59 months regardless of insurance status as well as to all VFC-eligible and SCHIP children 5 through 18 years of age. As a reminder, VFC eligibility is defined as follows:

- -Medicaid enrolled;
- -No health insurance:
- -American Indian or Alaskan Native

SCHIP children are those children enrolled in HUSKY B.

In addition, children aged 5 through 18 years who are under-insured (have health insurance that does not cover the cost of immunizations) can be immunized with CVP-supplied vaccine.





Starting August 5th, you can begin to order flu vaccine for your patient population. *Currently GSK's FluLaval is available. Please review expected availability of other flu products in box below.* Please limit your vaccine request to your actual need for the current month. The majority of our influenza vaccine supply is expected to be available in September and October. To avoid vaccine wastage be sure to order only what you need for the current month and not for the entire flu season. Since providers can order as often as they like the CVP encourages providers to order smaller quantities of flu vaccine several times during the course of a month.

Below is a list of the flu formulations we will be supplying this upcoming influenza season:

Vaccine	Package	Dose	Age	Preservative	NDC#	CPT Code
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Fluzone	Single dose	0.5 mL	6 months	YES	49281-0419-50	90686
(Sanofi)	Quad. Syringe		and older			
Expected to be	(10 per pack)					
available in 3-4						
weeks						
FluLaval	Single dose	0.5 mL	6 months	YES	19515-0906-52	90686
(GSK)	Quad. Syringe		and older			
Currently	(10 per pack)					
available						
FluMist	Single dose	0.2 mL	2 years	YES	66019-0306-10	90672
(AstraZenaca)	Quad. Sprayer		and older			
Expected to be	(10 per pack)					
available in						
September						
Flucelvax	Single dose	0.5 mL	4 years	YES &	70461-0319-03	90674
(Seqirus)	Quad. Syringe		and older	EGG FREE		
Available in	(10 per pack)					
August						

As always if you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (860) 509-7940.