

2021-2022 Universal Influenza Immunization Program (UIIP)

Publicly Funded Vaccines						
2021-2022 UIIP	Quadrivalent Inactivated Vaccine (QIV)				High-Dose Quadrivalent Inactivated Vaccine (HD-QIV)	Adjuvanted Trivalent Inactivated Vaccine (TIV-Adj)
Vaccine Product	FluLaval Tetra®	Fluzone Quadrivalent®	Afluria Tetra® (Distribution to pharmacies only)	Flucelvax Quad®	Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent®	Fluad®
Manufacturer	GSK	Sanofi-Pasteur	Seqirus	Seqirus	Sanofi-Pasteur	Seqirus
Age Eligibility	≥6 mo.	≥6 mo.	≥5 years	≥2 years	≥65 years	≥65 years
Vaccine Type	Egg-based	Egg-based	Egg-based	Cell culture-based	Egg-based	Egg-based
Dosage	0.5 mL	0.5 mL	0.5 mL	0.5 mL	0.7 mL	0.5 mL
Route	IM	IM	IM	IM	IM	IM
Format	Multi-dose vial	-Multi-dose vial -Pre-filled syringe	-Multi-dose vial -Pre-filled syringe	Pre-filled syringe	Pre-filled syringe	Pre-filled syringe
Amount	15 µg	15 µg	15 µg	15 µg	60 µg	15 µg
Most Common Allergens**	-Egg protein* -Thimerosal***	-Egg protein* -Thimerosal***	-Egg protein* -Neomycin -Polymyxin B -Thimerosal***	Does NOT contain egg protein or thimerosal	-Egg protein*	-Egg protein* -Kanamycin -Neomycin
Once punctured, discard vial after:	28 days	MDV: 28 days PFS: Not applicable	MDV: 28 days PFS: not applicable	PFS: not applicable	PFS: not applicable	PFS: not applicable

*The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) indicates that egg allergy is not a contraindication for influenza vaccination and that egg-allergic individuals may be vaccinated against influenza using the full dose of any age-appropriate product.

**Any component in a vaccine may be a potential allergen. This table identifies the most common allergens.

***Multi-dose vial format only

AVOID ERRORS! Fluzone® High-Dose Quadrivalent is only authorized for those 65 years of age and older. **Fluzone® Quadrivalent** and **Fluzone® High-Dose Quadrivalent** are different products. Please use caution when administering Fluzone® products to ensure that the right vaccine is being administered to the right person.

PRODUCT AVAILABILITY: Fluzone® High-Dose Quadrivalent and Fluad® will be available through primary care providers (e.g. physicians and nurse practitioners), participating pharmacies and retirement homes, LTCHs and hospitals.

INFLUENZA VACCINE FOR INDIVIDUALS 65 YEARS OF AGE AND OLDER: Given the options available, it is important to discuss the specifics of each available vaccine to assist the individual in their decision making. Delaying vaccination to wait for a specific product is not recommended. QIV-HD, TIV-Adj and QIV will provide protection against influenza, and it is very important seniors are vaccinated.

INFLUENZA VACCINE FOR CHILDREN: Children 6 months to under 9 years of age who have never previously been immunized with any influenza vaccine require 2 doses at least 4 weeks apart. The same vaccine product does not need to be used for both doses. **Please pay close attention to age eligibility** for each vaccine, detailed above.

FLUMIST® UPDATE: FluMist® will **not be publicly funded** for the 2021/2022 influenza season.

ADMINISTRATION: Publicly funded vaccine may be administered to individuals who meet the eligibility criteria for the UIIP (i.e. individuals who are 6 months of age and older who live, work or study in Ontario) and without contraindications to the vaccine. Trained pharmacists may only administer publicly funded influenza vaccine to individuals 2 years of age and older.