

WHAT'S NEW FOR THE 2019–20 FLU SEASON

For the 2019–20 flu season, (www.cdc.gov/flu/season/flu-season-2019-2020.htm) ACIP recommends providers administer any licensed, age-appropriate flu vaccine, including inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV), recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV), or live, attenuated, nasal spray influenza vaccine (LAIV4) to everyone age 6 months and older.

Vaccine viruses recommended for inclusion in the 2019–20 U.S. trivalent (three-component) influenza vaccines are:

- A/Brisbane/02/2018 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus (updated)
- A/Kansas/14/2017 (H3N2)-like virus (updated)
- B/Colorado/06/2017-like (Victoria lineage) virus

Quadrivalent (four-component) influenza vaccines will contain these three viruses and an additional influenza B vaccine virus, B/Phuket/3073/2013-like (Yamagata lineage) virus.

Please read the August 23 *MMWR* for additional information. <https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/68/rr/rr6803a1.htm>

As you make plans to encourage flu vaccination this season, check out CDC's campaign toolkit website. www.cdc.gov/flu/resource-center/toolkit/index.htm The toolkit includes social media content, posters, website assets, and information on important events.

For more information about how serious flu illness can be and the benefits of flu vaccination, visit the CDC influenza website, or call 1-800-CDC-INFO. www.cdc.gov/flu/

YOU CALL THE SHOTS: INFLUENZA AND VACCINE ADMINISTRATION MODULES

Updated You Call the Shots Influenza Module: Learn about Influenza vaccines, indications and contraindications for vaccination, and vaccine administration. Continuing education (CE) is available for viewing a module and completing an evaluation. www2a.cdc.gov/nip/isd/ycts/mod1/courses/flu/ce.asp

You Call the Shots Vaccine Administration e-Learn: The e-Learn is a free, interactive, online educational program that serves as a useful introductory course or a great refresher on vaccine administration. Continuing education (CE) is available. Visit the *You Call the Shots* web page to view available modules. www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/youcalltheshots.html

VACCINE INFORMATION STATEMENTS FOR INFLUENZA VACCINES (IIV AND LAIV)

Vaccine Information Statements (VISs): Don't forget to give a VIS every time you give a flu shot! There are two updated VISs for use during the upcoming influenza season: live, attenuated influenza vaccine (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/flulive.html) and inactivated influenza vaccine (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis/vis-statements/flu.html). Providers are encouraged to begin using the updated VISs immediately, but existing printed stocks may be used until they are gone.



PINK BOOK INFLUENZA WEBINAR

2019 Pink Book Webinar Series: The Pink Book webinar on influenza provides an overview of vaccination principles, general recommendations, immunization strategies, and specific information about the disease as well as the vaccines used to prevent it. The 15-session webinar series explores a chapter from the 13th edition of *Epidemiology and Prevention of Vaccine-Preventable Diseases* (the Pink Book). Visit the Pink Book webinar web page for the schedule and additional information. Continuing Education (CE) is available.
www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/webinar-epv/index.html

CURRENT ISSUES IN IMMUNIZATION WEBINAR (OCTOBER 2)

Current Issues in Immunization Webinar: Learn more about vaccine recommendations for the 2019–20 influenza season during the one-hour Current Issues in Immunization webinar noon to 1:00 pm ET on October 2, 2019. The webinar will be archived on the website (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/ciiw/>) after the event.

VACCINE ADMINISTRATION ERRORS

Prevent Vaccine Administration Errors: “Know the site and get it right” to prevent vaccine administration errors. As influenza season approaches, now is a great time to remind staff members who administer vaccines how to do it right. CDC has developed tools to share with members of your health care community. These products educate and remind providers about proper influenza vaccine administration techniques to help avoid shoulder injuries and other adverse events. The materials include links to comprehensive vaccine administration information (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/admin-protocols.html), a short video (www.youtube.com/watch?v=PgSuCPnPeYE) on the correct technique for intramuscular injection, an infographic (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/infographics/you-call-the-shots-intramuscular-flu-vaccination.html) on administering flu vaccine to an adult, and a link to our vaccine administration e-Learn (<https://www2.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/vaxadmin/va/ce.asp>).

INFLUENZA VIDEO

Influenza Update Video: The recommendation for annual flu vaccination means that health care providers should remain up to date in their knowledge of influenza vaccination practices. This web-on-demand video (<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/ed/flu-recs/index.html>) addresses frequently asked questions (FAQs) about influenza vaccine storage, handling, and administration recommendations and best practices for the 2019–20 influenza season.



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