

# Executive Officer Notice: Addition of FluMist® Flu Vaccine to the Universal Influenza Immunization Program 2020/21

November 30, 2020

This is a follow-up to the [Notice from the Executive Officer: Pharmacist administration of publicly funded influenza vaccines and claims submission using the Health Network System](#) that was published on the ministry website on October 2, 2020 and the [Notice from the Executive Officer: Updates to Pharmacists Administering Flu Vaccine to Patients without a Health Card Number](#) published on October 26, 2020. Please refer to the previous Executive Officer Notices and accompanying Frequently Asked Questions for additional information.

The ministry is adding FluMist nasal spray influenza vaccine<sup>1</sup> as set out in Table 1 below to the list of publicly funded influenza vaccines.

The added vaccine is foreign labelled, and has been assigned a product identification number (PIN). Using the assigned PIN below when submitting a claim for payment through the Health Network System, pharmacies will be reimbursed:

- \$5.00 per eligible claim for the administrative costs associated with administering a publicly funded nasal spray vaccine.

If a pharmacist administers the FluMist nasal spray influenza vaccine to a patient without an Ontario health number, the pharmacist will need to complete and submit the [Universal Influenza Immunization Program Pharmacy Form](#) (UIIP Pharmacy Form) as per the October 26, EO Notice indicated above. The UIIP Pharmacy Form is submitted to the Ministry on a monthly basis and includes doses of eligible influenza vaccines administered to patients without an Ontario health card number in the applicable month. The UIIP Pharmacy Form will be updated in December 2020 to reflect the public funding of the FluMist nasal spray under the UIIP. **Pharmacies must not submit any claims for payment in respect of the FluMist using the UIIP Pharmacy Form until the Form is updated in December 2020.**

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<sup>1</sup> Supply of the vaccines is limited. Inclusion of a product in the list of publicly-funded vaccines available for pharmacies to order does not guarantee supply of the product is available through participating pharmaceutical wholesaler, whichever may apply.

Table 1: Additional publicly funded influenza vaccines for 2020/21

PIN	Added Influenza Product For 2020/21	Availability	Eligibility
09857645	FluMist (US product) AstraZeneca (Quadrivalent influenza vaccine)	Intranasal* spray. 10 FFU/0.2 mL; single dose, pre-filled spray	5 to 59 years of age

\* Note: Intranasal administration will require pharmacists to wear gloves.

Pharmacies with a UIIP agreement may order PPE for the administration of the flu vaccine only, by accessing the Remedy online intake form at this link:

<https://ehealthontario.on.ca/en/health-care-professionals/ppe-intake?a=ppe-intake>

- Pharmacies that belong to a banner or chain corporation should work through their corporate head office, who may centrally coordinate order and facilitate distribution.
- Independent pharmacies may order kits directly from the website.

**Additional Information:**

**For pharmacies:**

For billing inquiries, please call ODB Pharmacy Help Desk at: 1-800-668-6641

For vaccine supply information, please email [UIIP.MOH@ontario.ca](mailto:UIIP.MOH@ontario.ca)

**For all other Health Care Providers and the Public:**

Please call ServiceOntario, Infoline at 1-866-532-3161 TTY 1-800-387-5559. In Toronto, TTY 416-327-4282