

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

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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, the [Notice from the Executive Officer: Updates to Pharmacists Administering Flu Vaccine to Patients without a Health Card Number](#) published on October 26, 2020 and the [Executive Officer Notice: Addition of Flumist® Flu Vaccine to the Universal Influenza Immunization Program](#) published on November 30, 2020. Please refer to the previous Executive Officer Notices and accompanying Frequently Asked Questions for additional information.

The ministry is adding Fluarix® quadrivalent injectable influenza vaccine¹ 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:

- \$7.50 per eligible claim for the administrative costs associated with administering a publicly funded influenza injectable vaccine.

If a pharmacist administers the 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.

¹ 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
09857646	Influsplit Tetra (Fluarix®) (German product) GlaxoSmithKline Inc. (Quadrivalent influenza vaccine)	Intramuscular injection. 15 mcg/0.5mL; single dose, pre-filled syringe	5 years of age and older

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

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