

SUBJECT: Flu & COVID-19 Immunization Programs – Fall/Winter 2025/26
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Pages: 2 (plus Influenza Vaccine Order Form)
To: Primary Care Providers, Hospitals, Long-Term Care Homes, Retirement Homes
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- Influenza vaccine will be available to order from WDGPH the week of October 6.
- COVID-19 vaccines will be available to order from WDGPH close to October 6 (exact date not available).

Influenza

Influenza vaccines available to order this season include:

Product	Product Type	Dosage	Packaging	Ages
Fluviral	Trivalent (TIV)	0.5ml	Multidose vial (10)	≥ 6 months
Fluzone	Trivalent (TIV)	0.5ml	10 single-dose pre-filled syringes or Multidose vial (10)	≥ 6 months
Fluzone High Dose	Trivalent, high dose (TIV-HD)	0.5ml	5 single-dose pre-filled syringes	≥65 years
Fluad	Adjuvanted trivalent (TIV-Adj)	0.5ml	10 single-dose pre-filled syringes	≥65 years

Please note that **quadrivalent vaccines are not available this season**. The B/Yamagata flu lineage has not been detected globally since 2020 and is no longer recommended for vaccines.¹

For additional information, please refer to the Ministry's Influenza Immunization Fact Sheets for Ages [6mo-64](#) and [65+](#).

COVID-19

Health Canada has approved updated COVID-19 vaccines targeting the LP.8.1 lineage.

	Pfizer-BioNTech COMIRNATY		Moderna SPIKEVAX	
Ages	5-11 years	≥12 years	6 months – 11 yr	≥12 years
Dose	10 mcg (0.3 mL)	30 mcg (0.3 mL)	25 mcg (0.25 mL)	50 mcg (0.5 mL)
Packaging	Single-dose vial	Multidose vial (6) Prefilled syringe	Multidose vial (10)	Multidose vial (5) Prefilled syringe

Please note that **Moderna is the only vaccine that can be used for all age groups ≥6 mo.**

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Children under 5 years old who have not yet been immunized should receive a 2-dose Moderna primary series, with the doses given 8 weeks apart.

For anyone receiving a booster, the minimum interval is **3 months** from the most recent dose.

For additional information, please refer to the Ministry's [2025/26 COVID-19 Vaccine Program Fact Sheet](#).

Ordering

Initial doses will be prioritized for:

- Long-term care homes
- Retirement homes
- Hospitals
- Primary care providers

Please order using the [WDG Public Health Vaccine Portal](#) (for influenza only) or fax a completed **Vaccine Order Form** (attached) to **519-823-4903**. WDGPH will work directly with long-term care homes and retirement homes to coordinate vaccine distribution.

Flu and COVID vaccines may be co-administered with each other and with other routine vaccines.

References:

1. Government of Canada. Statement on seasonal influenza vaccines for 2025–2026, accessed September 19, 2025. Available at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/publications/vaccines-immunization/national-advisory-committee-immunization-statement-seasonal-influenza-vaccines-2025-2026.html>

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