

Vaccines for Children Program (VFC) 2024-2025 Flu Season Helpful Hints

Flu vaccine for the 2024-2025 flu season was pre-booked in February 2024.

There will be 6 different flu vaccine presentations; a majority of them are single-dose syringes as per VFC provider preference. Single-dose syringes take up much more space than vials - please keep that in mind when placing orders. Please plan for your vaccine storage needs **now**.

The Bureau of Immunization Services opens flu vaccine ordering when it has at least 25% of its annual allocation of flu doses available in the McKesson warehouse. As vaccine presentations are available, flu vaccine order sets in ASIIS will be edited. If you do not see your desired presentation in the order set, you can select a different presentation or wait until your preference becomes available (no guarantees of if/when presentations will become available). Similarly, when a presentation is no longer available, that presentation will be removed from the order set. The Bureau of Immunization Services strongly encourages smaller, more frequent orders.

To alleviate barriers, the Bureau of Immunization Services made an important addition to the <u>Arizona VFC Program Operations Guide</u>. Provider locations may use private stock seasonal influenza vaccine for VFC-eligible children and replace it with VFC vaccine when it becomes available using the BIZS borrowing form.

Flu doses must be received in ASIIS before they are administered to patients. Flu doses received should be administered and recorded in ASIIS ASAP. Orders for additional vaccine may be put on hold or denied if it appears that orders are not received in ASIIS. Orders for additional vaccine may be reduced or denied if it appears that previously delivered doses have yet to be administered. For example: if you received 100 doses and are placing a new order for 70 more doses and ASIIS shows that you have not administered more than half of the originally delivered doses, your order may be reduced/denied.

You may administer COVID-19 and influenza vaccines without regard to timing (both live, attenuated, and non-live influenza vaccines). This includes administration of COVID-19 and influenza vaccines on the same day, as well as coadministration at any time interval.

With influenza season approaching, CDC recognizes there may be compelling logistical advantages to offering patients COVID-19 and influenza vaccines on the same day, and you may encourage patients to receive these on the same day. There are no safety concerns for coadministration.

Check ASIIS frequently. The Bureau of Immunization Services provides regular updates and specific notices to providers in ASIIS.

For more information, please visit the CDC <u>here</u>.

For questions about flu vaccine ordering please contact the Bureau of Immunization Services; Vaccine Center at:

Phone: 602-364-3642 Email: ArizonaVFC@azdhs.gov

Thank you for protecting Arizonans against flu and COVID-19.

2024 - 2025 PEDIATRIC INFLUENZA VACCINES

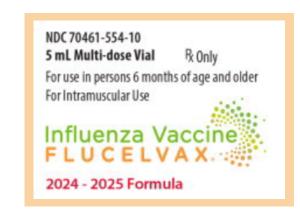
2024-2025 flu vaccines are all trivalent presentations

* Indicates this presentation is available to order through the Vaccines for Children (VFC) program.

6 Months & Older



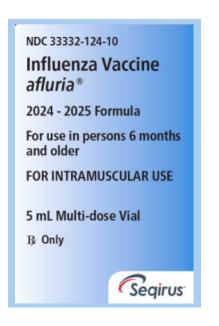
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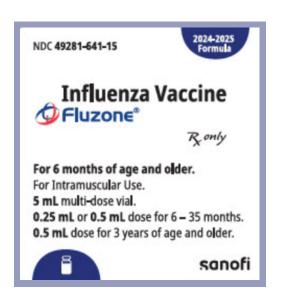
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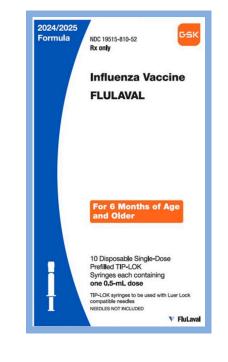
Fluzone® ** **Sanofi Pasteur** 0.5 mL single-dose syringe, 10 pack NDC 49281-0424-50



Afluria® Segirus USA, Inc 5mL multi-dose vial, One 10-dose pack NDC 33332-0124-10



Fluzone® ** **Sanofi Pasteur** 5mL multi-dose vial, One 10-dose vial NDC 49281-0641-15



FluLaval® * **GlaxoSmithKline Biologics** 0.5 mL single-dose syringe, 10 pack NDC 19515-0810-52

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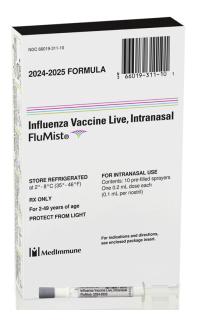
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36 Months & Older



Afluria® Seqirus USA, Inc
0.5mL single dose syringe, 10 pack
NDC 33332-0024-03

2 to 49 Years

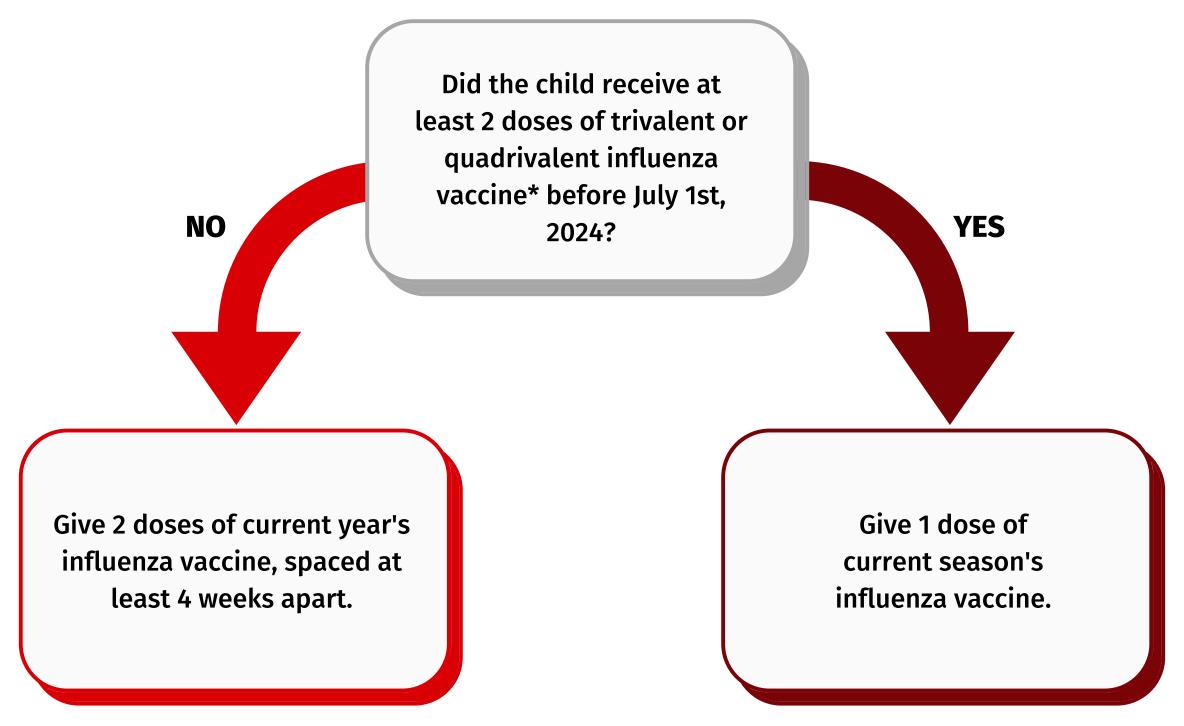


Flumist® **
AstraZeneca
0.2 mL single-dose sprayer, 10 pack
NDC 66019-0311-10



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Guide for Determining the Number of Doses of Influenza Vaccine to Give to Children Age 6 Months Through 8 Years



*If a child previously received two doses of flu vaccine (at any time), they only need one dose of flu vaccine this season.

<u>Note:</u> If an 8-year-old patient needs two (2) doses of influenza vaccine this season, they should receive two (2) doses even if they turn 9 years old before the second dose is administered.

Coadministration of COVID-19 and Influenza Vaccines

Providers can administer COVID-19 and influenza vaccines on the same day or coadminister at any time interval. There may be logistical advantages to administering COVID-19 and influenza vaccines on the same day, which providers may encourage to patients. There are no safety concerns for coadministration.

When deciding whether to coadminister another vaccine(s) with COVID-19 vaccine, consider:

- If the patient is behind OR if the patient is at risk of becoming behind on recommended vaccines
- The patient's risk of vaccine-preventable disease
- The reactogenicity profile of the vaccines
- The likelihood of avoiding a missed opportunity to vaccinate

Best practices for multiple injections include:

- Label each syringe with the name and the dosage (amount) of the vaccine, lot number, the initials of the preparer, and the exact beyond-use time, if applicable
- Separate injection sites by 1 inch or more, if possible
- Administer the COVID-19 vaccine and vaccines that may be more likely to cause a local reaction (i.e., tetanus-containing vaccines) in different limbs, if possible

