

DID YOU KNOW?

The upcoming season's flu vaccine will protect against the influenza viruses that research indicates will be most common during the season. This includes an influenza A (H1N1) virus, an influenza A (H3N2) virus, and one or two influenza B viruses, depending on the flu vaccine.

For the 2017 - 2018 season, the CDC again recommends use of the flu shot (inactivated influenza vaccine or IIV) and the recombinant influenza vaccine (RIV). The nasal spray flu vaccine (live attenuated influenza vaccine or LAIV) should not be used during 2017 - 2018.

DESCRIPTION	CPT CODE
Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, preservative-free, for intradermal use	90630
Influenza vaccine, inactivated (IIV), subunit, adjuvanted, for intramuscular use	90653
Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, preservative free, 0.25 mL dosage, for intramuscular use (AHCCCS only)	90655
Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90656
Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, 0.25 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90657
Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90658
Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), split virus, preservative free, enhanced immunogenicity via increased antigen content, for intramuscular use	90662
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (cIIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90674
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (RIV4), derived from recombinant DNA, hemagglutinin (HA) protein only, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use	90682 (new code)
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, 0.25 mL, for intramuscular use	90685
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90686
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, 0.25 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90687
Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use	90688

VACCINES FOR CHILDREN PROGRAM (VFC) 2017-2018 Flu Season Helpful Hints

The Immunization Program Office strongly encourages smaller, more frequent orders. When placing a flu vaccine order, be sure to place a comment in the comment box in ASIIS that states where AIPO can find your submitted temperature logs (entered in cold storage module, via fax, via email).

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.

<https://asiis.azdhs.gov/!Flu-Season-helpful-hints-7-20-16.pdf>

CODING TIPS

Do not report each component of a combination vaccine individually. **Codes should be reported with the appropriate administration code.**

90460 - Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; first or only component of each vaccine or toxoid administered

90461 – Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; each additional vaccine or toxoid component administered (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

90471 - Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); 1 vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid)

90472 - Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); each additional vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid) (List separately in addition to code for primary procedure)

Quality Reporting

G0008 – Administration of influenza virus vaccine

You can help your Medicare patients reduce their risk for contracting seasonal flu and serious complications by using every office visit as an opportunity to recommend they take advantage of Medicare's coverage of the annual flu shot. **Remind your members that they may get a survey at the beginning of the year asking if they received their flu shot as recommended. *This affects Star ratings.***