

IMPORTANT MESSAGE

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Need Additional Doses of Flu Vaccine? You can order more doses through VFC's Supplemental Ordering

Dear VFC Provider,

As we approach the winter months and holiday seasons we'd like to make sure children in your practice are protected against the flu. ACIP recommends a yearly influenza vaccine for everyone 6 months and older. Screen every patient to make sure they're up-to-date with their annual flu vaccination. Also keep in mind that children needing two influenza vaccine doses need to be reminded to come back for their second dose!

Additional doses of influenza vaccine are available for supplemental ordering:

- Doses are available for all formulations. Visit VFC's 'Online Seasonal Flu Ordering System' on www. EZIZ.org. Supplemental flu orders will continue to be accepted as supply permits.
- If you have received all ordered doses for a particular product/formulation and still need more doses, you may submit another supplemental order.
- With every order, you will need to provide the number of influenza doses your practice administered since the last order.
- Your request likely will be shipped in full. Make sure you can store all the doses you request.

Important reminder about MedImmune's FluMist Replacement Program:

- Unused, FluMist doses with an expiration date between August 2011 and January 31, 2012 can be replaced at no cost through MedImmune's Replacement Program.
- Replacement request can be made by calling McKesson Specialty's CDC Replacement Request line at 1-877-633-7375. McKesson Specialty will provide detailed instructions on the return paperwork and will arrange a pickup of doses to be replaced.
- Upon receipt and verification of returned doses, replacement doses will be shipped at no cost.
- More details on the replacement can be found at http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/vfc/forms/default.htm