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State-Supplied Influenza Vaccine Guidance

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To: Maine Immunization Program Influenza Providers

The Maine Immunization Program is now offering the flu vaccine free to all Mainers. The vaccine — both in a shot and a nasal spray — is available through participating doctors' offices. Patients should ask their doctors whether they participate in the Maine Immunization Program.

Although the vaccine is free, doctors may still charge an administration fee of up to \$21.58. However, patients cannot be denied the flu shot because they can't afford the fee.

Due to funding source restrictions, the vaccine listed below can only be given to certain age groups. Please use the following as guidelines:

Trade Name	Presentations	MIP allowable age group use due to funding
Fluarix (QUAD)	0.5 ml in a pre-filled syringe	3 years through 18 years only
Flu-Mist (LAIV4)	0.2 ml (single use spray)	2 years through 18 years only
Fluzone (TIV)	0.25 ml (single dose syringe)	6 months through 35 months only
Fluzone (TIV)	0.5 mL (single dose syringe)	Children greater than 36 months and pregnant women
Fluzone (TIV)	5.0 mL (multi-dose vial)	All Adults

Thank you for your dedication to keep the citizens of Maine free from vaccine-preventable diseases. If you have any questions, please call the Maine Immunization Program at 1-800-867-4775 or email ImmunizeME.DHHS@maine.gov.

Sincerely,

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