

MEMO

TO: local public health units, private healthcare providers and hospitals, Indian Health Services, pharmacies, and other immunization providers

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RE: Week 13: H1N1 Influenza Vaccine

DATE: December 22, 2009

H1N1 Vaccine Ordering:

As of Friday, December 18, the North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) will no longer be allocating H1N1 vaccine to providers based on the number of doses originally pre-booked. In order to receive H1N1 vaccine, providers will need to actively place an order for vaccine using the H1N1 Vaccine Order Form.

- Any H1N1 registered provider may order vaccine.
- Providers are asked to limit submitting orders to once per week.
- Order quantity should be limited to a one week to two week supply of H1N1 vaccine.
- Providers may order Flumist®, injectable vaccine for people ages 6 – 35 months, injectable vaccine for people ages 3 – 17 years, and injectable vaccine for people ages 18 and older.
- Providers may order multi-dose vials or syringes, but will be sent what is available.
- When possible, providers who order larger quantities of H1N1 vaccine should order in 100-dose increments by vaccine type. If providers do not need larger quantities of vaccine, they may still order in 10-dose increments.
- Orders may be faxed or mailed to the NDDoH.
 - Fax: 701.328.2499
 - Division of Disease Control
2635 East Main Ave. PO Box 5520
Bismarck, ND 58506-5520
- When the NDDoH places a vaccine order on behalf of a provider, the order will be posted to the vaccine allocation website at:
www.ndflu.com/Vaccine/vaccineallocations.aspx.

H1N1 vaccine allocations were made on December 16th and 18th. Providers should still anticipate receiving doses from those allocations.

Priority Groups:

Providers may vaccinate anyone who wishes to be vaccinated against H1N1 influenza, regardless if they are in an ACIP priority group for vaccination. If local

vaccine supplies do not allow for this, then providers may continue to vaccinate ACIP priority groups until more vaccine is available or demand has decreased.

H1N1 Vaccine Shipments:

McKesson will not be delivering vaccine on December 24th, 25th, or January 1st. As a reminder, providers will only receive vaccine directly from McKesson, if their allocation is in 100-dose increments by vaccine type. Vaccine allocations are posted at www.ndhealth.gov/EPR/SNS/VaccineAllocations.aspx. This week the NDDoH will be delivering H1N1 vaccine Tuesday, December 22nd.

NDIIS and Scanning:

H1N1 providers should be either scanning or manually entering H1N1 doses administered into the NDIIS within seven days of administration. The scanning process is now working much better and scanned doses are being put into the NDIIS at a faster rate and with better accuracy. If scanning, providers are asked to do so on a weekly basis instead of batching weeks to months of scanning forms.

H1N1 Influenza Surveillance:

Weekly influenza surveillance reports are posted at www.ndflu.com/DataStats/InfluenzaSummary.aspx.

CDC Weekly Estimates of H1N1 Vaccine (12/18/2009):

CDC revised estimates for the availability of H1N1 vaccine in North Dakota. The estimates are posted at www.ndflu.com.

Bi-Weekly H1N1 Provider Updates:

H1N1 Provider Updates are now every other Wednesday at 10:00 a.m. (Central Time). There will not be a H1N1 provider update this week on December 23rd.

Every other Wednesday, local public health units will meet with the NDDoH before hand at 9:30. All local public health units and hospitals will be connected from 9:30 a.m. CT until 11 a.m. CT. If your facility does not want to be connected, please contact Dan Stephenson at dstephenson@nd.gov.

Connection Options:

- Videoconference – Contact the closest local public health unit or hospital to check for availability and to make a reservation.
- Teleconference – Dial 866.888.3385.
- Webcast – To watch from your computer, follow these steps:
 - Step 1 – Prior to the first time viewing an NDDoH webcast, please check that your computer has the necessary software installed. Follow the link www.ndhealth.gov/webcasthtml/preflight for a test.
 - Step 2 – Follow the link www.ndhealth.gov/WebcastHigh.aspx to view the webcast.

The video feed will start 30 minutes prior to the scheduled broadcast time. For technical support, please call 866.716.1274 (beginning at 8:30 a.m. CT). If you have any questions, please contact the North Dakota Department of Health at 701.328.1326 or icliaison@nd.gov.

Please contact the NDDoH Immunization Program with any questions at 701.328.2378 or toll-free at 800.472.2180.

Provider ID Number:		Shipping ID Number (if different):		Date:	
Provider Name:					
Delivery Address:		City:		State: ND	Zip Code:
Contact Person:		Telephone Number:		<input type="checkbox"/> Check here if this is a new address, telephone number, or contact person.	
H1N1 Vaccine Type		Packaging	Unit size (in doses)	Doses Requested	Doses on Hand
MedImmune (Flumist®)		Nasal Sprayer	10		
Injectable for ages 6 – 35 months		Multi-dose Vials (Syringes no longer available)	10		
Injectable for ages 3 – 17 years		Multi-dose Vials	10		
		Pre-filled Syringes	10		
Injectable for ages 18 and older		Multi-dose Vials	10		
		Pre-filled Syringes	10		

- Only providers who have registered as H1N1 providers with the North Dakota Department of Health may order H1N1 vaccine.
- Providers may submit orders for H1N1 vaccine once per week.
- Providers may order a one to two-week supply of H1N1 vaccine.
- If possible, providers ordering larger quantities of vaccine should try and order in 100-dose increments by vaccine type.
- If preferred packaging is not available, providers will automatically be given what is available (i.e., if a provider wants multi-dose vials, but only syringes are available, then syringes will be ordered).
- Providers should allow at least one week for delivery.