

Who Needs Two Doses of 2011-12 Seasonal Influenza Vaccine?

Points to consider

- The 3 influenza vaccine strains will be the same for 2011-12 seasonal flu vaccine as they were for the 2010-11 seasonal flu vaccine.
- Children aged 6 months through 8 years who received at least 1 dose of seasonal flu vaccine in 2010-11 will only need 1 dose of 2011-12 flu vaccine.
- All persons aged 6 months and older will need at least 1 dose of 2011-12 flu vaccine.

Children aged 6 months through 8 years needing 2 doses

- All children aged 6mo-8yrs receiving seasonal flu vaccine for the first time should receive 2 doses of 2011-12 flu vaccine separated by at least 4 weeks.
- Children aged 6mo-8yrs whose flu vaccine history is unknown (no documented doses) during the 2010-11 flu season should receive 2 doses of 2011-12 flu vaccine separated by at least 4 weeks.
- Children aged 6mo-8yrs who did not receive at least 1 dose of seasonal flu vaccine in 2010-11, should receive 2 doses of 2011-12 flu vaccine separated by at least 4 weeks, regardless of their previous flu vaccination history.

Children aged 9 years and older

- All children who are aged 9 years or older should receive only 1 dose of 2011-12 flu vaccine, regardless of their previous flu vaccination history.

Influenza vaccine dosing algorithm for children 6 months through 8 years of age

Did the child receive at least 1 dose of 2010-2011* seasonal influenza vaccine?

No/Not Sure →

Administer 2 doses of 2011-2012 seasonal influenza vaccine (at least 4 weeks apart)

↓ Yes

Administer 1 dose of 2011-2012 seasonal influenza vaccine

*July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011

Flu Vaccine Dosage

LAIV: Dosage is the same for everyone aged 2 through 49 years.
Administer 0.2 mL intranasal (0.1 mL per nostril).

TIV: Dosage is based on the age of the person.
For children aged 6 through 35 months: administer 0.25 mL for each dose.
For children aged 3 years and older: administer 0.5 mL for each dose.