

2021-22 Vaccines for Children (VFC) Influenza Vaccine

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- IIV4: Afluria® Quadrivalent (Seqirus)
- IIV4: Fluarix® Quadrivalent (GlaxoSmithKline)
- IIV4: FluLaval® Quadrivalent (ID Biomedical, GSK)
- IIV4: Fluzone® Quadrivalent (Sanofi Pasteur)
- cclIV4: Flucelvax® Quadrivalent (Seqirus)
- LAIV4: FluMist® Quadrivalent (AstraZeneca)

Abbreviations for 2021-22 VFC Flu Vaccine:

- IIV4: Inactivated Influenza Vaccine, quadrivalent
- cclIV4: Cell-Cultured Inactivated Influenza Vaccine, quadrivalent
- LAIV4: Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine, quadrivalent

Document VFC flu vaccine in the Michigan Care Improvement Registry (MCIR) and on the vaccine administration record (VAR) as IIV4, LAIV4, or cclIV4.

Q: Can we borrow Vaccines for Children (VFC) flu vaccine?

A: No. VFC flu vaccine should never be used on non-VFC-eligible children.

Q: What do I do if my VFC flu vaccine has not arrived and I have a VFC-eligible child in my office?

A: In instances where there is a lack of VFC seasonal flu vaccine due to unexpected circumstances, such as a delayed shipment, you may use private-stock seasonal flu vaccine to vaccinate VFC-eligible children. Private-stock doses used on VFC-eligible children should be replaced when VFC stock becomes available using the same product and presentation. Such borrows must also be documented in MCIR and on the Vaccine Borrowing Log. This **one-directional borrowing** exception is unique to seasonal flu vaccine and a requirement of CDC.

Q: What do I need to remember when I borrow 2021-22 private-stock influenza vaccine?

A: Borrowed private-stock flu vaccine must be replaced with the same product and presentation as soon as VFC flu vaccine arrives. VFC providers should:

- Review MCIR VFC vaccine order history and look for type pre-booked (pbk) to know what was ordered.
- Always know what flu vaccine you ordered and what is currently in your storage unit.
- Know that when you borrow private-stock flu vaccine you **MUST** replace with the same presentation (i.e., only borrow a presentation you have already ordered).
- Replace borrowed vaccine dose for dose, and document all borrows in MCIR and on the Vaccine Borrowing Log.

Q: What should I know about accountability and inventory management for flu vaccine?

A: Accountability of VFC vaccine is an important part of managing VFC inventory. MCIR is programmed to ensure every VFC vaccine dose is accounted for. When you borrow private-stock flu vaccine for a VFC-eligible child, you must document your actions in the Vaccine Inventory Management (VIM) system within MCIR. VFC providers must:

- Maintain two separate inventories: one for VFC-eligible children and one for privately insured children; both inventories must have adequate vaccine.
- Manage a private-stock inventory in VIM to accurately replace borrowed vaccine.
- Know how to correctly record the borrowed and replaced transactions in MCIR and the Vaccine Borrowing Log.
- Provide details about the borrow in the MCIR comment section, including when the dose was replaced.
- Do not borrow more private-stock vaccine than what you have pre-booked through VFC.

Key Points to Remember:

- VFC seasonal flu vaccine may NOT be borrowed to vaccinate privately insured children.
- MCIR is designed to record the borrowing of doses as they are administered based on eligibility.
- Utilize MCIR to monitor your inventory. Contact your local health department (LHD) with questions regarding your VFC vaccine inventory.
- Borrowing private-stock flu vaccine should be a rare occurrence. If done, it must be replaced with the same product, including the same presentation.
- Vaccinate until the flu vaccine expires. If you run out of VFC vaccine, contact your LHD to order additional doses.

For more information on the VFC program, refer to www.michigan.gov/vfc. For more information regarding flu vaccination, refer to www.michigan.gov/flu, www.cdc.gov/vaccines, or www.cdc.gov/mmwr.

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