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Memorandum

To: **Primary Matrix Distribution Community Pharmacies, PEI Pharmacy Association**

From: Department of Health and Wellness Pharmacy Services (Pharmacare and Pharmaceutical Services), Tel: 902-368-4947

Date: September 17th, 2026

Subject: **Administration of Publicly Funded Influenza Vaccine by Pharmacists**

The annual influenza vaccination season will soon begin in community pharmacies.

- It is anticipated that Matrix will receive their first shipment of vaccines next week. Specific delivery and ordering instructions will be provided by Matrix Distribution. Delivery will be available as per wholesaler contract with pharmacies.
- Influenza vaccine to be supplied will be **Fluzone TIV single dose pre-filled syringes** and **Fluad adjuvanted pre-filled syringes**.
- Per **day**, the **maximum quantity** pharmacies will be permitted to order is 100 doses of Fluzone TIV and 50 doses of Fluad adjuvanted. **Please order only what is anticipated to meet your immediate needs.** Next day delivery should allow pharmacies to keep on-hand stock to a minimum.
- Pharmacies are responsible for ensuring the correct vaccine and quantity is ordered. For questions or concerns about orders, please contact **Matrix support**. Shoppers Drug Mart and Loblaws pharmacies should only order influenza vaccine through Matrix Distribution.

Reimbursement

- Residents with a **valid Prince Edward Island Health Card Number** are eligible to have the influenza vaccine administration fee billed electronically through Pharmacare using the PHIP AUTO program.
 - Submit claims for reimbursement of the administration of the Fluzone 2026-2027 TIV vaccine using the **DIN 02365707**.
 - Submit claims for reimbursement of the administration of the Flud 2026-2027 adjuvanted vaccine using the **DIN 02362384**.
 - An influenza vaccine claim should be billed as a quantity of **1** and day supply of **28 days**.
- **Flud adjuvanted vaccine** is indicated for patients **65 years of age and older**.
- Prior to vaccinating, please attempt to verify in the Drug Information System or immunization record portal if a patient has already received an influenza vaccination during this flu season. PEI Pharmacare will only reimburse one administration fee per PHN unless the second vaccination is required for a child under the age of 9.
- For PEI residents **without a PEI Health Card**, pharmacies can bill the standard fee to the Chief Public Health Office monthly using the **Manual Claims Form**. Please do not send vaccination information to Pharmacare.

Additional information

- Vaccines are not available through Pharmacare procurement.
- Expired influenza vaccine may be destroyed on site. Quantities and type of vaccine must be reported to the CPHO for inventory management using the **Vaccine Wastage Reporting Form** found on the Resources for Community Pharmacies webpage.
- If at any point during the influenza vaccination season a pharmacy has vaccine that has been compromised due to a **cold chain break**, please notify CPHO and complete the attached **Cold Chain Break Report** immediately to determine if the vaccine can be used. Do not dispose of the vaccine unless advised by CPHO. The form can also be found on the Resources for Community Pharmacies webpage.