

MnVFC Announcement
Date: August 12, 2019

To: MnVFC Providers

From: MnVFC Program

Re: 2019-20 Flu Vaccine Shipping Soon

Please route to:

- Clinical supervisor
- Medical director
- Clinic manager
- Clinic staff
- Pharmacy
- Vaccine staff

MnVFC flu vaccine is coming

We are happy to announce that some MnVFC 2019-20 flu vaccine will begin shipping to providers in the next week. To make sure all MnVFC providers have adequate flu vaccine early in the season, and because different brands and presentations become available at different times, you will not receive all of your doses in one shipment. Sites can expect to receive a few small shipments throughout the distribution season. If you provided your email address with your flu prebook, you will receive a confirmation email when we process your order.

Please see the table below for estimated timelines of when manufacturers expect to begin shipping MnVFC flu vaccine this season.

Manufacturer	Distribution estimated to begin
AstraZeneca (FluMist)	Early September
GSK (Fluarix, FluLaval)	Mid-August
Sanofi Pasteur (Fluzone)	Late August/Early September
Seqirus (Afluria)	Mid-August

Get ready for flu season

1. Providers should begin vaccinating patients when they have vaccine. In order to ensure adequate supply for larger-scale influenza vaccination clinics, consider planning them for late October to early November.
2. Have [Vaccine Information Statements](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis) (www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/vis) available. The influenza VISs dated 8/7/15 is still valid for the 2019-20 flu season.
3. Read the *2019-20 Minnesota Fall Flu Guide* when it is posted online. Get an email alert when the flu guide and other flu materials are updated by subscribing to the MDH [Influenza Information for Health Professionals](http://www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/flu/hcp/index.html) (www.health.state.mn.us/diseases/flu/hcp/index.html). Click on the “subscribe” link in the top right corner of the page to sign up.

Questions?

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