

**MnVFC Announcement**
**Date:** July 22, 2019

**To:** MnVFC Providers

**From:** MnVFC Program

**Re:** 2019-20 Influenza Vaccine Distribution and Returning Vaccine from Last Season

Please route to:

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

**2019-20 influenza vaccine distribution**

Based on recent updates from influenza vaccine manufacturers, sites can expect MnVFC influenza vaccine doses to begin arriving on the following timelines. Keep in mind these timelines are only estimates.

As in years past, to make sure all MnVFC providers have adequate influenza vaccine early in the season, sites can expect to receive a few small shipments throughout the distribution season; you will not receive all of your doses in one shipment.

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

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.

**Returning expired influenza vaccine from 2018-19 season**

Most influenza doses expired June 30. If you still have influenza doses received from us, you should:

- Check the expiration dates of influenza vaccine in your storage unit.
- Remove expired influenza vaccine from your storage unit and mark it “Do Not Use” to avoid accidentally administering it.
- Do not return any vaccine prior to the expiration date.
- You can complete the *MDH Nonviable Vaccine Form* directly in MIIC! Get started by selecting “report nonviable vaccine” on the left-side navigation bar under “Vaccine Management.”

**Questions?**

Contact the MnVFC program staff at [health.mnvfc@state.mn.us](mailto:health.mnvfc@state.mn.us) or 651-201-5522.