Pharmacists' Information – Free Flu vaccinations during the month of June for people aged 5 years and over in pharmacies



- All NSW residents 5 years and over will be able to access free flu vaccinations during the month of June to boost immunity for the winter season.
- This is to complement the free vaccines offered under the National Immunisation Program for eligible groups through General Practice and pharmacies.
- Pharmacist immunisers and nurse immunisers can now administer influenza vaccines to children 5 years and over. GPs will continue to administer vaccines to people aged 6 months and over.
- NSW Health has established a reimbursement process which will utilise GuildCare NG and MedAdvisor to support the process.
- During the month of June participating community pharmacies will be remunerated at \$25 (excl. GST) for vaccines administered in June (this payment will cover vaccine and service delivery fee).
- Patients 65 and over should be given the Fluad Quad vaccine. A \$16 (excl. GST) service delivery fee will be
 paid during June for each NIP funded Fluad Quad vaccine administered to people 65 and over to ensure there
 is no fee for the patient.
- Pharmacies are encouraged to use existing private supply or obtain vaccine supply through usual wholesale supply distributers for under 65s. If pharmacies are unable to obtain supply, they can contact NSW Health for further information at MOH-PHEOOperations@health.nsw.gov.au.
- Pharmacies should continue to order the Fluad Quad vaccine for people aged 65 and over from the NSW State
 Vaccine Centre. Pharmacies that do not have an existing vaccine account will need to register with the NSW
 State Vaccine Centre. Information on this is available <a href="https://example.com/here/be/
- NSW Health ask that whenever patients attend community pharmacy, that pharmacists use the opportunity to remind everyone particularly those at risk of severe disease of the importance of getting vaccinated.

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