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COLLEGE OF PHARMACY
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Influenza Season 2021 Preparation

See [MicroSCOPE Special Flu Season Edition](#) for detailed info as well as Administration of Drugs by Injection and Other Routes [FAQs](#) and [Guidelines](#).

Storage, Handling and Control

Ensure proper storage of vaccines and handling protocols are in place. See [Vaccine Storage, Handling and Transport Guidelines](#) as well as a recent article [Emergency Plan for Proper Drug and Vaccine Storage](#).

Dual vaccinations require greater care and attention to ensure vaccine dose volumes and needles are verified as correct before administration i.e., using a divided tray and keeping the vials separate, etc.

Consent



As per DPEBB policy, consent can be written or verbal. For further information on consent and substitute decision makers, please review Powers of Attorney, Health Care Directives and Substitute Decision Makers [FAQs](#) and [Guidelines](#).

SIM, SIIP

Ensure you are familiar with the [SIM](#), [SIIP](#) and DPEBB policy with respect to the publicly funded influenza vaccine program.

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Ensure your pharmacy has a process in place to determine appropriate age for the influenza vaccine **BEFORE** administration – 5 years old and older.

Immunizers

UPDATE

Pharmacy technicians, pharmacist interns (extended/student), and formerly licensed pharmacists are **able to administer publicly-funded flu vaccines** as approved by the Ministry of Health. For the complete list of non-traditional Influenza immunizers, please [click here](#).

See these [Immunizer FAQs](#) for more details. These immunizers are enabled by the emergency provisions to the Disease Control Regulations, valid until March 31, 2022.

Vaccine Intervals

The Ministry of Health has advised that intervals between COVID-19 vaccine and other Health Canada approved vaccines are no longer required.

Adverse Events

Ensuring you have a process for [AEFI reporting](#), safe post immunization monitoring, and up to date anaphylaxis kits and policies.