

Influenza Virus Vaccine & Administration

- How often is it covered?** Medicare Part B normally covers one flu shot per flu season. Additional flu vaccines may be covered if considered medically necessary
- Who's eligible?** All Medicare Part B beneficiary
- What does Medicare pay?** Co-payment, Co-insurance & deductible is waived

Vaccine Codes: [List of revised influenza vaccines utilized by UHA](#)

Code	Description
90630	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, for intradermal use
90656	Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), pandemic formulation, split virus, preservative free, for intramuscular use
90657	Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, 0.25 mL dosage , for intramuscular use
90658	Influenza virus vaccine, trivalent (IIV3), split virus, 0.5 mL dosage , for intramuscular use
90662	Influenza virus vaccine (IIV), split virus, preservative free , enhanced immunogenicity via increased antigen content, for intramuscular use
90672	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent , live (LAIV4), for intranasal use
90674	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (cIIV4), derived from cell cultures, subunit, preservative and antibiotic free, 0.5 mL dosage, for intramuscular use
90682	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (RIV4), derived from recombinant DNA, hemagglutinin (HA) protein only, preservative and antibiotic free, for intramuscular use
90685	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, 0.25 mL , for intramuscular use
90686	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, preservative free, 0.5 mL dosage , for intramuscular use
90687	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, 0.25 mL dosage , for intramuscular use
90688	Influenza virus vaccine, quadrivalent (IIV4), split virus, 0.5 mL dosage , for intramuscular use

Administration Codes:

G0008	Administration of influenza virus vaccine
90460	Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; first or only component of each vaccine or toxoid administered
90461	Immunization administration through 18 years of age via any route of administration, with counseling by physician or other qualified health care professional; each additional vaccine or toxoid component administered
90471	Immunization administration (includes percutaneous, intradermal, subcutaneous, or intramuscular injections); 1 vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid)
90474	Immunization administration by intranasal or oral route; each additional vaccine (single or combination vaccine/toxoid)

Diagnosis: Z23 : Encounter for immunization

Frequently Asked Questions:

Question: If a beneficiary gets a seasonal influenza virus vaccine twice in a 12-month period, will Medicare still pay for it?

Answer: Yes, Medicare pays for one seasonal influenza virus vaccination per influenza season; however, a beneficiary could get the seasonal influenza virus vaccine twice in a calendar year for two different influenza seasons, and Medicare would pay the provider for each. For example, a beneficiary who received a seasonal influenza virus vaccination in January 2018 for the 2017–2018 influenza season could receive another seasonal influenza virus vaccination in November 2018 for the 2018–2019 influenza season, and Medicare would pay for both vaccinations.

Note: CDC recommends annual influenza vaccination for everyone 6 months and older with any licensed, influenza vaccine that is appropriate for the recipient's age and health status, (IIV, RIV4, or LAIV4) with no preference expressed for any one vaccine over another.

Resources:

<https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prevention/PrevntionGenInfo/medicare-preventive-services/MPS-QuickReferenceChart-1.html#FLU>

<https://www.cdc.gov/flu/season/flu-season-2019-2020.htm>