

Flu vaccines 2025 to 2026 season

6 months to less than 2 years 2 years to less than 18 years 18 years to 64 years 65 years and over in a clinical risk group(iv) in eligible year groups or in a clinical risk group(iv) in a clinical risk group(iv) and pregnant women(vii) **IIVc** (cell-cultured inactivated No contraindications to LAIV If LAIV contraindicated or **IIVc** (cell-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) **allV** (adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine) otherwise unsuitable(iii) influenza vaccine) **IIV-HD** (high-dose inactivated influenza vaccine) IIVr (recombinant inactivated influenza vaccine) or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated influenza **IIVr** (recombinant inactivated influenza vaccine) allV (adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine) if aged vaccine) if IIVc not available **LAIV** (Live attenuated influenza **IIVc** (cell-cultured inactivated 50 years and above(vii) vaccine, nasal spray suspension) influenza vaccine) or IIVc (cell-cultured inactivated influenza **IIV-HD** (high-dose inactivated influenza vaccine) if aged or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated vaccine) if allV, IIV-HD and IIVr not available 60 years and above influenza vaccine) if IIVc not available or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) if recommended vaccines listed above not available 6 7 5 or 1



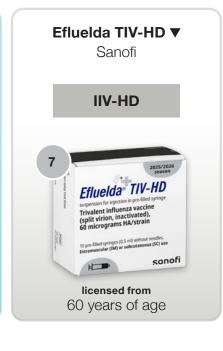












Eligible groups

- aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2025
- eligible school-aged children (Reception to Year 11)
- those aged 6 months to under 65 years in clinical risk groups
- pregnant women
- all those aged 65 years and over
- those in long-stay residential care homes
- carers in receipt of carer's allowance or main carer of an older or disabled person
- household contacts of immunocompromised individuals
- frontline health and social care staff

See Green Book Influenza Chapter 19 for full details on eligible groups

Resources

Annual flu programme www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-flu-programme **Green Book Influenza Chapter 19** www.gov.uk/government/publications/influenza-the-green-book-chapter-19

- (i) IIVc and LAIV for eligible children available to order from ImmForm by general practice and school-age providers. Community pharmacies should see arrangements in the flu letter amendment www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-flu-immunisation-programme-plan-2025-to-2026/amendment-to-national-flu-immunisation-programme-2025-to-2026-letter
- (ii) IIVe is not supplied by ImmForm
- (iii) If the parent of an eligible child declines LAIV because of its porcine gelatine content they can request an alternative injectable vaccine. For these children IIVc is available to order from ImmForm by general practice and school-age providers
- (iv) Or household contact of an immunocompromised individual
- (v) Individuals aged 50 years and over
- (vi) Individuals aged 60 years and over
- (vii) allV is not to be used in women who are pregnant or breast-feeding

Flu immunisation

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