



PRIORITY INDICATIONS FOR INFLUENZA VACCINE – 2023-2024 Season

The National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI) recommends influenza vaccination for all individuals aged 6 months and older, with particular focus on those listed below:

People at high risk of influenza-related complications or hospitalization

- All children 6 to 59 months of age
- Adults and children with the following chronic health conditions:
 - Cardiac or pulmonary disorders (includes bronchopulmonary dysplasia, cystic fibrosis, and asthma);
 - Diabetes mellitus and other metabolic diseases;
 - Cancer, immune compromising conditions (due to underlying disease, therapy, or both, such as solid organ transplant or hematopoietic stem cell transplant recipients);
 - Renal disease;
 - Anemia or hemoglobinopathy;
 - Neurologic or neurodevelopmental conditions (includes neuromuscular, neurovascular, neurodegenerative, neurodevelopmental conditions, and seizure disorders [and, for children, includes febrile seizures and isolated developmental delay],
 - Morbid obesity (defined as BMI of 40 kg/m² and over); and
 - Children 6 months to 18 years of age undergoing treatment for long periods with acetylsalicylic acid, because of the potential increase of Reye's syndrome associated with influenza
- All individuals who are pregnant;
- People of any age who are residents of nursing homes and other chronic care facilities;
- Adults 65 years of age and older; and
- Indigenous peoples.

People capable of transmitting influenza to those at high risk

- Health care and other care providers in facilities and community settings who, through their activities, are capable of transmitting influenza to those at high risk
- Household contacts, both adults and children, of individuals at high risk, whether or not the individual at high risk has been vaccinated:
 - household contacts of individuals at high risk
 - household contacts of infants less than 6 months of age, as these infants are at high risk but cannot receive influenza vaccine
 - members of a household expecting a newborn during the influenza season;
- Those providing regular child care to children 0 to 59 months of age, whether in or out of the home; and
- Those who provide services within closed or relatively closed settings to people at high risk (e.g., crew on a cruise ship).

Others

- People who provide essential community services; and
- People who are in direct contact with poultry infected with avian influenza during culling operations