

Durham Region Health Department **FAX about...**

For Health Care Professionals

Influenza and COVID-19 KP.2 Vaccines Available for Everyone

Influenza and COVID-19 KP.2 vaccines are available to order for the general population. All individuals six months of age and older are recommended to receive both COVID-19 and influenza vaccines this respiratory viral illness season. Individuals **previously vaccinated** with the COVID-19 vaccine should receive an updated vaccine 6 months from the last COVID-19 vaccine dose. A minimum of 3 months from the last dose may be used.

Publicly Funded Influenza Vaccines for 2024/2025 Season

Quadrivalent Inactivated Vaccine (QIV)					
Vaccine Product	<u>FluLaval Tetra</u>	Fluzone [®] Quadrivalent	Flucelvax® Quad		
Manufacturer	GSK	Sanofi Pasteur	Seirus		
Micrograms of Haemagglutinin	15 µg	15 µg	15 µg		
Dose	0.5 mL	0.5 mL	0.5 mL		
Route	IM	IM	IM		
Age Indication	6 months of age and older	6 months of age and older	6 months of age and older		
Most Common Allergens	^a Egg protein, ^b Thimerosal	^a Egg protein, ^b Thimerosal	Does NOT contain ^a Egg protein or ^b Thimerosal		

	High-Dose Quadrivalent Inactivated Vaccine (QIV-HD)	Adjuvanted Trivalent Inactivated Vaccine (TIV-adj)
Vaccine Product	Fluzone® High-Dose Quadrivalent	<u>Fluad®</u>
Manufacturer	Sanofi Pasteur	Seqirus
Micrograms of Haemagglutinin	60 µg	15 μg
Dose	0.7 mL	0.5 mL
Route	IM	IM
Age Indication	65 years of age and older	65 years of age and older
Most Common Allergens	^a Egg protein	^a Egg protein, Kanamycin, Neomycin

^aAn **egg allergy is not a contraindication** for influenza vaccines and egg-allergic individuals may be vaccinated against influenza using the full dose of **any age-appropriate product**.

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^bThimerosal is present in multidose vials.

Publicly Funded COVID-19 Vaccines for 2024/2025 Season

Vaccine Product	Moderna Spikevax® KP.2 (Now Available)		Pfizer Comirnaty® KP.2 (Now Available)
Age Indication	6 months to 11 years of age	12 years of age and older	12 years of age and older
Dose/Route	0.25 mL (25 mcg) / IM	0.5 mL (50 mcg) / IM	0.3 mL (30 mcg) / IM
Most Common Allergens	Polyethylene Glycol (PEG), Tromethamine, Tromethamine (hydrochloride)		

Novavax will **not** be available in Ontario this season. Individuals unable to receive an mRNA vaccine may be eligible for other treatment options such as Paxlovid to reduce the duration and severity of illness.

The COVID-19 vaccine may be given at the same time or at any time before or after other live or non-live vaccines, including influenza vaccine, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV) vaccine and/or the RSV monoclonal antibody, Beyfortus. Do not delay vaccination waiting for a particular vaccine product.

Vaccine Ordering and Availability in the Community

Influenza

Order a one-month supply of influenza vaccine by visiting durham.ca/OrderInfluenzaVaccines.

Parents of children six months to two years of age who do not have access to a health care provider and would like their child to receive the influenza vaccine are encouraged to call Durham Health Connection Line at 905-668-2020 or 1-800-841-2729 to book an appointment.

COVID-19

There is no public-facing COVID-19 vaccine order form. If your practice would like to offer COVID-19 vaccine, please visit durham.ca/hcp (under the Respiratory Illnesses and COVID-19 tabs for the onboarding form). Sites currently offering COVID-19 vaccines received a separate link to order vaccine.

Individuals six months and older can receive the COVID-19 vaccine at participating pharmacies. Visit the COVID-19 Pharmacy Locator Tool ontario.ca/vaccine-locations/ for participating pharmacy locations. Limited Health Department COVID-19 vaccine appointments are available for eligible children 6 months to 4 years of age who cannot be vaccinated at local pharmacies by visiting durhamvaccinebooking.ca

More Information

Respiratory viral illness season typically runs from October to April. Check out the **Respiratory Virus Data Tracker** at durham.ca/resptracker to see the status of influenza and COVID-19 cases in Durham Region throughout the season.

For more information on the 2024-2025 COVID-19 and influenza season visit <u>durham.ca/hcp</u>, <u>durham.ca/flu</u> and <u>durham.ca/COVIDvaccines</u>.

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