



Over recent months influenza activity has remained unusually high across most NSW Local Health Districts.

The information and resources below can support your practice to keep prevention and management of influenza a priority over the season.

Vaccination information

The 2019 National Immunisation Program (NIP) seasonal influenza vaccines are now available from vaccination providers around the country.

NSW Health

- The [Seasonal Influenza Vaccination 2019](#) page includes information on:
 - Ordering vaccines
 - Free influenza vaccine eligibility
 - Provider communications
- The Influenza Vaccination Provider Toolkit – NSW Health is available [here](#).
- Practices can find the [form](#) to report adverse events online and should contact their Public Health Unit on 1300 066 055.

Resources for vaccination providers:

- [2019 seasonal influenza vaccines – clinical advice for vaccination providers \(factsheet\)](#)
- [2019 National Immunisation Program \(NIP\) influenza vaccines \(factsheet for providers\)](#)
- [Check age before giving the flu shot \(safety sticker for vaccine refrigerators\)](#)
- [ATAGI statement on 2019 seasonal influenza vaccines](#)
- [The flu vaccine – poster for general setting](#)
- [The flu vaccine – poster for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander setting](#)

Resources for consumers:

- [The flu vaccine – factsheet for consumers](#)
- [The flu vaccine – factsheet for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people](#)

Hardcopy materials, accompanied by correspondence from the Chief Medical Officer, have been mailed to vaccination providers Australia-wide including GPs, Aboriginal Medical Services, and other providers in each state and territory. Additional copies of the resources can be ordered through the Department's website via the links above.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander resources 'Get the facts about immunisation'

A range of communication resources have been developed and are hosted on the 'Get the Facts' campaign [resource page](#).

- Video – Protect your mob - ['Get the facts – It's really important to vaccinate on time'](#)
- Motion graphic - Protect your mob - ['Get the facts – getting your bub vaccinated is free and helps keep them, and everyone safe from diseases'](#)
- Brochure – Protect your mob - ['immunisation save lives'](#)
- Poster – Protect your mob - ['immunisation protects all our kids'](#)

Support from COORDINARE

Contact your Health Coordination Consultant for further information about the following projects.

Sentinel Practices Data Source Project

The SPDS project has a focus on supporting general practices in undertaking 'meaningful use of their practice data' through a structured and methodical approach of holistic 'clinical data auditing'.

The SPDS project can support practices to identify patients who are eligible or due for their flu vaccine and also those at high risk of influenza. [Clinical data auditing activities using CAT4](#) can be used to identify these populations. More information about this project can be found [here](#).

Quality Improvement (QI) Recipes

The future of primary healthcare is changing through the RACGP Standards for general practices 5th edition and the upcoming implementation of the QI Practice Incentives Program (PIP).

COORDINARE is committed to fostering quality in general practice and have produced one page [QI Recipes](#) designed to embed a culture of quality improvement which will assist general practice to support and enhance patient care.

Practices can choose from eight QI Recipes including management of chronic disease and multiple medications.

For more information please contact your Health Coordination Consultant or call 1300 069 002.