

## Immunization Programs 2025-2026 Publicly Funded Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution

The official start date of the Ministry of Health 2025-2026 Seasonal Influenza Immunization Program (SIIP) and COVID-19 Immunization Program (CIP) is **October 14, 2025**.

The soft-start date for the programs in pharmacies is **October 6, 2025**. The focus of the soft-start is to vaccinate individuals outlined in the National Advisory Committee on Immunization Statement on Seasonal Influenza Vaccine 2025-2026 – List 1 (e.g. 65 year of age and older, residents of congregate living/personal care homes and immunocompromised patients, etc.). [Statement on seasonal influenza vaccines for 2025–2026 - Canada.ca](https://www.canada.ca/en/health-canada/services/immunization/immunization-program/seasonal-influenza-vaccine-2025-2026-list-1.html)

**The soft-start provided by pharmacies is not to be publicized.**

The Saskatchewan Health Authority (SHA) will begin administering influenza and COVID -19 vaccine upon receipt of vaccine inventory. The SHA start date may not align with the soft-start dates in pharmacies.

### Influenza and COVID-19 Vaccine

Publicly funded vaccine products provided to participating pharmacies in Saskatchewan and Lloydminster, Alberta will be:

- FLUVIRAL® trivalent multi-dose vial (MDV) - DIN 02420686
- FLUAD® ENHANCED-DOSE trivalent pre-filled syringe (PFS) – DIN 02362384
- MODERNA SPIKEVAX® multi-dose vial (MDV) - DIN 02541270
- MODERNA SPIKEVAX® pre-filled syringes (PFS) - DIN 02557770

MODERNA SPIKEVAX® is the only COVID-19 vaccine that has been allocated to pharmacies this year. PFIZER COMIRNATY® vaccine is not available for order by community pharmacies. Patients clinically requiring this vaccine should be directed to Public Health.

Influenza vaccine ordering will open on October 10, 2025. COVID-19 vaccine ordering will open the week of October 13, 2025.

The amount of vaccine ordered must reflect realistic anticipated demand. Each week, the Drug Plan and Extended Benefits Branch (DPEBB) will compare vaccine doses distributed to each pharmacy with the vaccine doses administered by that pharmacy to prevent stockpiling of the vaccine and to ensure equitable access in the province. If additional vaccine is required, pharmacies may contact the DPEBB to request an additional allocation at [dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca](mailto:dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca).

All attempts should be made to avoid wastage so please ensure processes in your pharmacies to prevent vaccine wastage are followed (e.g., book appointments to ensure full vials are used, limit walk-ins, etc.). In addition, please only book the numbers appointments that accurately reflects the doses that you have on hand.

The Vaccine Distribution Tracking System will not be used for inventory tracking.

## Order Numbers for Publicly Funded Vaccine

Vaccine	DIN	Description	Order Numbers		
			McKesson Canada	Kohl & Frisch Ltd. NOTE: order numbers may change with new LOT numbers	Shoppers Drug Mart /Loblaw (Matrix) NOTE: order numbers may change with new LOT numbers
<b>FLUVIRAL® TRIVALENT MDV</b>	02420686	1 unit = 1 vial = 10 doses MAXIMUM DAILY ORDER QTY OF 7 UNITS (70 doses)	202206	171261	Ordering instructions will be provided by SDM.
<b>FLUAD® ENHANCED-DOSE PFS *</b>	02362384	1 unit = 1 box = 10 Doses MAXIMUM DAILY ORDER QTY OF 5 UNITS (50 doses)	202202	171264	Ordering instructions will be provided by SDM.
<b>MODERNA SPIKEVAX® MDV</b>	02541270	1 unit = 1 box = 10 vials = 50 doses MAXIMUM WEEKLY ORDER QTY OF 1 UNIT (50 doses)	202233	N/A	Ordering instructions will be provided by SDM.
<b>MODERNA SPIKEVAX® PFS</b>	02557770	1 unit = 1 box = 10 doses MAXIMUM WEEKLY ORDER QTY OF 10 UNITS (100 doses)	202235	N/A	Ordering instructions will be provided by SDM.

\* NOTE: Only Saskatchewan residents age 65 years and older with a valid Health Services Card are eligible to receive this vaccine.

## Transferring Funded Influenza Vaccine

For DPEBB inventory tracking purposes, pharmacies **must alert** the DPEBB if publicly funded influenza or COVID-19 vaccine is transferred **between pharmacies or from public health offices to pharmacies (this includes transfers to and from satellite pharmacies)**. Pharmacies must complete the *Transferring Provincially Funded Influenza or COVID-19 Vaccine Form* ([Home Page - Online Formulary 2025](#)) and email the form to [dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca](mailto:dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca) **prior** to transferring any vaccine. Public Health to Pharmacy transfers must be arranged and approved by the Ministry before stock is moved.

## Vaccine Allocations

Pharmacies can anticipate their initial allocation of FLUAD® ENHANCED-DOSE, FLUVIRAL® and MODERNA SPIKEVAX® to arrive no later than Monday, October 6, 2025, pending no shipment delays to the wholesalers.

## Personal Care Homes (PCH)

A list of pharmacies providing influenza vaccination services to PCHs will be provided to Public Health as indicated by pharmacies in the registration survey.

## Wholesalers

A list of registered pharmacies and confirmed allocations have been provided to the three wholesalers that distribute to pharmacies in Saskatchewan: McKesson Canada, Kohl & Frisch Ltd., and Shoppers Drug Mart/Loblaw (Matrix). This list will be used to ensure pharmacies ordering vaccine have been registered in the program.

## Registration Confirmation

Registered pharmacies will appear online at <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/government/health-care-administration-and-provider-resources/treatment-procedures-and-guidelines/public-health-issues/respiratory-illnesses/pharmacy-vaccine-locations> the week of October 6, 2025. Pharmacies that have not registered will not be able to order publicly funded influenza and COVID-19 vaccine from wholesalers. Pharmacies wishing to register can email [dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca](mailto:dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca).

## Who To Contact

**REGISTRATION OF A PHARMACY FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PROGRAM;**

**VACCINE SUPPLY; and/or**

**DAILY/WEEKLY ORDER LIMITS (including requests exceeding limits for an influenza or COVID-19 immunization clinic)**

Contact the DPEBB at [dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca](mailto:dpebimmunizations@health.gov.sk.ca).

**ORDERING AND SHIPPING OF PUBLICLY FUNDED INFLUENZA and COVID-19 VACCINE**

Contact the appropriate wholesaler order desk:

- McKesson Canada Order Desk: 1-800-667-9299.
- Kohl & Frisch Ltd. Order Desk: 1-800-821-8777.
- Shoppers Drug Mart/Loblaw Pharmacies (Matrix) should order publicly funded influenza and COVID-19 vaccine through the usual processes using their pharmacy order management system.