

# Influenza Immunization Program Update

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Alberta's Influenza Immunization Program provides publicly funded influenza vaccine for all individuals 6 months and older who live, work or attend school in Alberta.

The Influenza immunization Program for 2020-2021 is underway. As of November 7, 2020: 1,142,006 doses of influenza vaccine have been administered in Alberta.

Influenza data for the 2020-2021 season is reported on a weekly basis. Data includes: number of doses of influenza vaccine administered by provider type across the province, number of laboratory confirmed cases of influenza, number of Albertans hospitalized with influenza disease and number of Albertans deceased who had lab confirmed influenza. Community providers can find this information on the Alberta Health Services (AHS) website:

[http://public.tableau.com/views/AlbertaHealthServicesRespiratoryVirusSurveillance/Summary?:embed=y&:display\\_count=yes](http://public.tableau.com/views/AlbertaHealthServicesRespiratoryVirusSurveillance/Summary?:embed=y&:display_count=yes)

As of November 7, 2020:

Alberta Health Services Public Health have provided 127,512 doses.

Community Pharmacists have provided 891,003 doses.

Other Providers (which include Alberta Health Services Non-Public Health sites, Long Term Care sites, Community Physicians, Alberta Health Services Workplace Health and Safety, Covenant Health Occupational Health and Safety and First Nation Inuit Health Branch) have provided 123,491 doses.

## Influenza Immunization Recommendation for Adult and Pediatric Patients Undergoing Cancer Treatment

For information on the best time to immunize patients undergoing cancer treatment, see the updated guidelines at: <https://www.albertahealthservices.ca/info/cancerguidelines.aspx>

## 2020-2021 Influenza Program Reporting

AHS must account to Alberta Health for all doses of influenza vaccine distributed to immunizing partners and report on vaccine utilization in order to calculate immunization rates. All immunizing partners, in turn must provide accurate accounting of doses administered using forms provided by their AHS Zone Contact. Please use the [map](#) to determine your zone for submission. Doses received must be accounted for before additional vaccine will be sent.

**Report forms accounting for number of influenza doses administered, wasted and on hand are due to your Zone Contact on a monthly basis.**

- Zone specific reporting forms are posted on the AHS website at [www.albertahealthservices.ca/2824.asp](http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/2824.asp)
- Community providers will have the option of submitting the reporting form via email or fax to their Zone Contact.
- Monthly reporting due dates are indicated on the zone specific report form.

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