

Instructions for Ordering H1N1 Vaccine

2009 Influenza A (H1N1) monovalent vaccine will be available to medical care providers in California through the California Department of Public Health in partnership with local health departments. H1N1 influenza vaccine will not be available through private organizations.

H1N1 vaccine is currently in production and is expected to be available by mid-October. Vaccine and basic supplies will be delivered to providers at no cost. Private providers may bill public and private insurers for vaccine administration fees.

The **Calpanflu.org** website will be used for ordering the vaccine. This website is for those who are interested in giving 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) vaccine in California, including:

- Local health departments
- Clinics, public and private
- Independent physicians
- Community Health Centers
- Vaccines for Children Program medical providers
- Student Health Centers
- Hospitals
- Health plans that directly provide vaccines
- Employee health programs
- Community vaccinators
- Pharmacies (chain and independent)
- Other vaccinators

Here are the steps to follow if you are interested in giving 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) vaccine:

Step 1: Registration

- is required for facilities who will receive direct shipments of H1N1 vaccine. Note: If you are a facility/organization that receives vaccine shipments at a central depot and then re-distributes to other sites, only the central depot site needs to register;
- does not obligate you to order vaccine;
- can only be done by (or in conjunction with) a prescribing medical care provider licensed to practice medicine in California;
- early registration is urged; however, registration will not close.
- does not guarantee receipt of vaccine

Step 2: Ordering

- does not guarantee receipt of vaccine;
- The timing and amount of vaccine deliveries will depend on available inventory. First deliveries are expected by mid-October or later;
- Initial orders will be prioritized to vaccinators serving at-risk population groups. Other requests will be filled over time, as supply permits.

Step 3: Vaccine usage reporting:

- Data entry into the California Immunization Registry (CAIR) www.cairweb.org is strongly encouraged and fulfills the federal reporting requirement. CAIR also allows you to easily remind patients about their second dose of pandemic influenza vaccine or view the doses your new patients may have had;
- Providers who don't use CAIR will need to report weekly to this website the number of vaccine doses they have given until at least November 2009.

Once a provider enters the website, they can enter their VFC (Vaccine for Children) pin number and their demographic information should be preloaded. If a provider is not a VFC site, the provider will need to add demographic information as well as medical license number of the physician and the number of patients they intend to vaccinate within each vaccine priority group:

1. Persons aged 6 months - 24 years
2. Pregnant women
3. Persons 25 - 64 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications
4. Health-care and emergency medical services personnel (include your office staff)
5. Persons who live with or provide care for infants aged <6 months (e.g., parents, siblings, and daycare providers)

At the end of the ordering process, you will be asked to sign the California H1N1 Influenza Provider agreement. There is also a website help desk if you have questions. The phone number is 888-865-0564 and they are open M-F from 8am - 6pm.

Please Note: Pre-registration on calpanflu.org does not guarantee vaccine delivery. Vaccine delivery will be based on priority group categorization and vaccine availability. Vaccine may be shipped in stages.