

Flu vaccines 2025 to 2026 season

6 months to less than 2 years in a clinical risk group ^(iv)	2 years to less than 18 years in eligible year groups or in a clinical risk group ^(iv)		18 years to 64 years in a clinical risk group ^(iv) and pregnant women ^(vii)	65 years and over
IIVc (cell-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) if IIVc not available 1⁽ⁱ⁾ or 2⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ 3⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	No contraindications to LAIV	If LAIV contraindicated or otherwise unsuitable⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾	IIVc (cell-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) IIVr (recombinant inactivated influenza vaccine) aIIV (adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine) if aged 50 years and above ^(vii) IIV-HD (high-dose inactivated influenza vaccine) if aged 60 years and above or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) if recommended vaccines listed above not available 1 5 6^(v) 7^(vi) or 2 3	aIIV (adjuvanted inactivated influenza vaccine) IIV-HD (high-dose inactivated influenza vaccine) IIVr (recombinant inactivated influenza vaccine) or IIVc (cell-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) if aIIV, IIV-HD and IIVr not available 6 7 5 or 1
	LAIV (Live attenuated influenza vaccine, nasal spray suspension)	IIVc (cell-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) or IIVe (egg-cultured inactivated influenza vaccine) if IIVc not available 1⁽ⁱ⁾ or 2⁽ⁱⁱ⁾ 3⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾		
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Cell-based Trivalent Influenza Vaccine ▼

CSL Seqirus

IIVc

Egg-free

1



licensed from 6 months of age

Vaxigrip

Sanofi

IIVe

2



licensed from 6 months of age

Influenza vaccine TIV MYL ▼

Viatris

IIVe

3



licensed from 6 months of age

Fluenz

AstraZeneca

LAIV

4



licensed from 2 years to less than 18 years of age

Supemtek TIVr ▼

Sanofi

IIVr

Egg-free

5



licensed from 18 years of age

Adjuvanted Trivalent Influenza Vaccine ▼

CSL Seqirus

aIIV

6



licensed from 50 years of age

Efluelda TIV-HD ▼

Sanofi

IIV-HD

7



licensed from 60 years of age

Eligible groups

- aged 2 and 3 years on 31 August 2025
 - eligible school-aged children (Reception to Year 11)
 - those aged 6 months to under 65 years in clinical risk groups
 - pregnant women
 - all those aged 65 years and over
 - those in long-stay residential care homes
- carers in receipt of carer’s allowance or main carer of an older or disabled person
 - household contacts of immunocompromised individuals
 - frontline health and social care staff
- See Green Book Influenza Chapter 19 for full details on eligible groups**

Resources

Annual flu programme www.gov.uk/government/collections/annual-flu-programme
Green Book Influenza Chapter 19 www.gov.uk/government/publications/influenza-the-green-book-chapter-19

- (i) IIVc and LAIV for eligible children available to order from ImmForm by general practice and school-age providers. Community pharmacies should see arrangements in the flu letter amendment www.gov.uk/government/publications/national-flu-immunisation-programme-plan-2025-to-2026/amendment-to-national-flu-immunisation-programme-2025-to-2026-letter

(ii) IIVe is not supplied by ImmForm

(iii) If the parent of an eligible child declines LAIV because of its porcine gelatine content they can request an alternative injectable vaccine. For these children IIVc is available to order from ImmForm by general practice and school-age providers

(iv) Or household contact of an immunocompromised individual

(v) Individuals aged 50 years and over

(vi) Individuals aged 60 years and over

(vii) aIIV is not to be used in women who are pregnant or breast-feeding

Note that IIVx is used on this resource to denote all inactivated influenza vaccines, regardless of how many virus strain antigens are included in the vaccine this season. In the boxes denoting the images of the vaccine packaging, the manufacturers name of the vaccine is given, which in some cases includes ‘TIV’ or ‘trivalent’. All vaccines used for the 2025 to 2026 season are trivalent.