



2011 – 2012 SEASONAL INFLUENZA (FLU) VIRUS EDUCATIONAL PRODUCTS AND RESOURCES

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MLN Matters Articles:

- **SE1136 “2011-2012 Seasonal Influenza (Flu) Resources for Health Care Professionals”**
<http://www.cms.gov/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/SE1136.pdf>
- **MM7575 “Influenza Payment Allowances – Annual Update for 2011-2012 Season”**
<http://www.cms.gov/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/MM7575.pdf>
- **MM7580 “New Influenza Virus Vaccine Code”**
<http://www.cms.gov/MLNMattersArticles/Downloads/MM7580.pdf>

MLN Flu Related Products for Health Care Professionals and their staff:

- **Quick Reference Information: Medicare Part B Immunization Billing Chart**
http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/qr_immun_bill.pdf(available in print or as a download)
- **The Guide to Medicare Preventive Services for Physicians, Providers, Suppliers, and Other Health Care Professionals, Fourth Edition** ~ The guide includes a chapter on influenza, pneumococcal, and hepatitis B vaccines and their administration. Also includes suggestions for planning a flu clinic and information for mass immunizers and roster billers. Available as a download only. http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/mps_guide_web-061305.pdf

- **Medicare Preventive Services Preventive Immunizations Brochure** – Available as a download or in print.
http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/Adult_Immunization.pdf
- **Quick Reference Information: Medicare Preventive Services Chart** – Available as a download or as part of the “Quick Reference Information Resources: Medicare Preventive Services” booklet. (see hardcopy ordering information above)
http://www.cms.gov/MLNProducts/downloads/MPS_QuickReferenceChart_1.pdf

Other CMS Resources

- **Seasonal Influenza Vaccines Pricing** is at http://www.cms.gov/McrPartBDrugAvgSalesPrice/10_VaccinesPricing.asp on the CMS website.
- **CMS Immunizations** page is at <http://www.cms.gov/immunizations> on the CMS website.
- **Prevention General Information Overview** is at <http://www.cms.gov/PrevntionGenInfo> on the CMS website.
- **CMS Frequently Asked Questions** are available at http://questions.cms.hhs.gov/cgi-bin/cmshhs.cfg/php/enduser/std_alp.php?p_sid=I3ALEDhi on the CMS website.
- **Medicare Benefit Policy Manual - Chapter 15, Section 50.4.4.2 – Immunizations** available at <http://www.cms.gov/manuals/downloads/bp102c15.pdf> on the CMS website.
- **Medicare Claims Processing Manual – Chapter 18, Preventive and Screening Services** available at <http://www.cms.gov/manuals/downloads/clm104c18.pdf> on the CMS website.
- **Medicare Part B Drug Average Sales Price Payment Amounts**
Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccines Pricing found at http://www.cms.gov/McrPartBDrugAvgSalesPrice/01_overview.asp on the CMS website.
- **2011-2012 Immunizers’ Question & Answer Guide to Medicare Part B and Medicaid Coverage of Seasonal Influenza and Pneumococcal Vaccinations** available at <http://www.cms.gov/Immunizations/Downloads/20112012ImmunizersGuide.pdf> on the CMS website.

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Other Resources

The following non-CMS resources are just a few of the many available in which clinicians may find useful information and tools to help increase flu vaccine awareness and utilization during the 2011 – 2012 flu season.

- **Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices** <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/acip/default.htm>
- **American Lung Association's Influenza (Flu) Center** <http://www.lungusa.org> ~ This site provides a flu clinic locator <http://www.flucliniclocator.org>. Individuals can enter their zip code to find a flu clinic in their area. Providers can also obtain information on how to add their flu clinic to this site.
- **Centers for Disease Control and Prevention** <http://www.cdc.gov/flu>
- **Flu.gov** <http://www.flu.gov>
- **Immunization Action Coalition** <http://www.immunize.org>
- **National Alliance for Hispanic Health** <http://www.hispanichealth.org>
- **The National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases (NCIRD)** <http://www.cdc.gov/ncird>
- **National Foundation For Infectious Diseases** <http://www.nfid.org/influenza>
- **National Library of Medicine and NIH Medline Plus** <http://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/immunization.html>
- **National Vaccine Program** <http://www.hhs.gov/nvpo>
- **Office of Disease Prevention and Promotion** <http://odphp.osophs.dhhs.gov>

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- **Partnership for Prevention** <http://www.prevent.org>
- **World Health Organization** <http://www.who.int/en>

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