

HPMS E-Mail

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Subject: Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Reminder

As influenza season approaches, we remind Medicare Advantage organizations, Cost Plans, and Medicare-Medicaid Plans that they should be prepared to provide access to vaccinations for seasonal influenza. Influenza vaccinations are covered by Medicare Part B and must be available at in-network providers without cost sharing (*see* 42 C.F.R. §§ 422.100(k) and 417.454(d)). We encourage plans to have a communications strategy to address how enrollees may access the influenza vaccine.

For more information, please see the [CMS Preventive Services Page](#). This page includes comprehensive information on Medicare preventive services and immunizations, including flu vaccine information for the 2020-2021 season. More information on the vaccines for people 65 years and older can be found at the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website](#) and the 2020-2021 list of vaccines and availability can be found on the [Food and Drug Administration website](#).

