



Durham Region Health Department FAX about...

For Health Care Professionals



High-Dose Influenza Vaccine: Product Availability Update

The Durham Region Health Department has a **limited supply of High-Dose Trivalent Inactivated Vaccine (HD-TIV)** for distribution to health care providers. The Ministry of Health (MOH) has reduced the amount of HD-TIV provided to public health units and is providing the vaccine to pharmacies to ensure both **health care providers and pharmacies** have stock available.

The supply of quadrivalent influenza vaccine (QIV) is not impacted at this time. To offset the limited HD-TIV supply, health care providers are encouraged to **increase the amount of QIV ordered**. If the HD-TIV is unavailable due to reduced supply, individuals should receive QIV or obtain the **HD-TIV at a local pharmacy**. A list of Durham Region pharmacies participating in the Universal Influenza Immunization Program is available at durham.ca/flu.

If an individual has already received an influenza vaccine, it is **not recommended** they receive any additional influenza immunizations for the season (e.g. a client already received QIV and is now requesting high-dose TIV).

Influenza immunization can begin as soon as influenza vaccine is available for all individuals six months of age and older who live, work or go to school in Ontario, especially **groups at high risk and those capable of transmitting influenza to them**.

Influenza vaccine is now available to order and can be requested through the [Influenza Vaccine Order Form](#) found on www.durham.ca/HCP.

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