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Influenza/Pneumococcal Programme 2012/2013

Dear Doctor,

I wish to advise you that the Influenza/Pneumococcal Programme has resumed.

The target population for vaccination is:-

- All those aged 65 years and over
- All those aged 18-64 in the at risk groups which have been defined as the following:
 - Chronic illness requiring regular follow up (e.g. chronic respiratory disease including cystic fibrosis, moderate or severe asthma, chronic heart disease, diabetes mellitus, chronic liver disease, chronic neurological disease including multiple sclerosis, hereditary and degenerative disorders of the central nervous system etc)
 - Those who are immunosuppressed due to disease or treatment including those with missing or non functioning spleens
 - Residents of nursing homes, old people's homes, and other long stay facilities
 - Morbid obesity i.e. body mass index over 40
 - Pregnant women (at any stage of pregnancy)
- Healthcare workers
- Carers
- Workers who have close regular contact with pigs, poultry or water fowl
- Children aged 6 months to under 18 years with any of the following:
 - chronic illness requiring regular follow up (e.g. chronic respiratory disease including cystic fibrosis, moderate or severe asthma, chronic heart disease, diabetes mellitus, chronic liver disease, chronic neurological disease including multiple sclerosis, hereditary and degenerative disorders of the central nervous system etc)
 - immunosuppression due to disease or treatment including those with missing or non functioning spleens
 - on long-term aspirin therapy (because of the risk of Reyes Syndrome)
 - any condition (e.g. cognitive dysfunction, spinal cord injury, seizure disorder, or other neuromuscular disorder) that can compromise respiratory function especially those attending special schools/ day centres

The vaccination claiming system is available to both General Practitioners and Community Pharmacists (see 'Vaccination Services' on your GP Application Suite menu). The benefits of a standard vaccination recording web site include;

- Access to the most modern, and easy to use web site for vaccination recording.
- Automatic warning if the patient has received the vaccination already within the season from any GP or Pharmacist on a national basis.
- Reporting to statutory authorities such as the Health Protection Surveillance Centre and other stakeholders will be streamlined by the use of this single system and the removal of paper submission.

In the event you continue to opt for manual submission, please arrange to use the attached form, which should be copied when required and submitted for payment in one batch. Submission of this year's Flu Campaign on STC/SS/OOH claims will not be processed for payment.

Please find attached Frequently Asked Questions and list of approved vaccines.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Patrick Burke', with a horizontal line extending to the right.

Patrick Burke
Primary Care Reimbursement Service

Vaccination Claim

Reference Number

CLIENT DETAILS

PPSN

Card No.

Patient's Name

Address

Date of Birth

Gender

Increased Medical Risk Code

TO BE COMPLETED IN WRITING BY PATIENT

1. I verify that I have received an injection of Influenza Vaccination.
2. I confirm that I consented to have myself / the above named person vaccinated with Influenza Vaccination.
3. **Data Protection Notice:** Personal data collected by HSE PCRS is used for the purpose of providing a health service. It is required, stored, processed and disclosed to other bodies in accordance with the laws relating to proper treatment of personal data.

Signature (Mandatory)

PRACTITIONER DETAILS

Contractor No.

Contractor's Name

Address

SIGNATURE AND STAMP OF CONTRACTOR: The vaccination detailed hereon has been given by me.

If different from above, enter name (in Block Capitals) of the person who provided the vaccination.

Professional Reg. No.:

Cold Chain Acc. No.:

VACCINATION DETAILS

Vaccination Date

Batch Number

Name of Vaccine

Manufacturer

Injection Site

Expiry Date

Vacc. Type

Shot 1

Clinical Necessity

Batch Number

Name of Vaccine

Manufacturer

Injection Site

Expiry Date

Vacc. Type

Shot 2

Clinical Necessity

INCREASED MEDICAL RISK CODES

- A - Chronic Respiratory Disease
- B - Pregnant woman
- C - Chronic Heart Disease
- D - Chronic Renal Disease
- E - Chronic Liver Disease
- F - Chronic Neurological Disease
- G - Immunosuppressed
- H - Household contacts of Immunosuppressed
- I - Diabetes Mellitus
- J - Morbidly Obese
- K - Haemoglobinopathies
- L - Children with conditions that compromise respiratory function
- M - Resident of a nursing home or other long stay facility
- N - Healthcare workers
- O - Carers
- P - Workers in close contact with pigs, poultry or water fowl
- Q - Children on long-term aspirin therapy

Frequently Asked Questions

Q1. How do I get access to the new vaccination recording web site to provide the details of vaccination services which I want to provide?

Choose the menu option titled "Vaccination Services" from your GP Application Suite menu.

Q2. What process should I follow?

Type in the details of the proposed vaccination, then print off the paper record which the patient (or guardian) signs before providing the vaccination. This approach ensures that the proposed vaccination service has not already been provided by another health professional. It also provides confirmation to you that PCRS has validated the proposed service from a reimbursement point of view.

Q3. Where can I get training on the PCRS web site?

The web site has on screen assistance and validation to help if you forget to enter something. The web site for capturing these details is designed to minimise the time taken and is also designed to be simple to use. The on screen help and validation will ensure that you can record the necessary details.

Q4. What details do I need to provide?

You need to provide details of uptake for HSE Population Health and to support the processing and payment of claims e.g.

- a) the patient receiving the vaccination,
- b) the vaccination itself i.e. batch number and injection site,

<u>Details</u>	<u>Source</u>
Vaccination date,	User input
Vaccination batch number,	Drop down selection list
Injection site,	Drop down selection list
Cold Chain Account Number,	User input

- c) any "at risk" medical condition that the patient may have,

<u>Details</u>	<u>Source</u>
Medical risk code,	Drop down selection list

Q5. What details do I have to capture in respect of the patient?

Enter the patient's Personal Public Service number (PPS number).

For patients in the target group, if the PPS number exists and the patient has a valid Medical Card / GP Visit Card/ Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card associated with this PPS number then this will be found automatically for you in most cases. The patient is entitled to free vaccination and the vaccination details submitted to PCRS are a claim for remuneration.

For patients in the target group, if the PPS number exists and no Medical Card / GP Visit Card /Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card is identified you will have an opportunity to input the Medical Card / GP Visit Card number / Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card. If Medical Card / GP Visit Card / Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card eligibility exists for this patient then they are entitled to free vaccination and the vaccination details submitted to PCRS are a claim for remuneration.

If the patient does not have Medical Card / GP Visit Card / Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card eligibility but the patient's PPS number is found then the vaccination details submitted to PCRS are simply a record in this case.

If the patient does not have Medical Card / GP Visit Card/ Health (Amendment) Act, 1996 Card eligibility and no PPS number is found, then the patient details including their PPS number should be recorded. The vaccination details submitted to PCRS are simply a record in this case also.

Finally, in a small number of cases the patient may present with their verified PPS number and it can happen that the patient details on file need to be changed. The "Override Patient Details" is used in this case to enter the patient details including their name and address. The vaccination details submitted to PCRS are simply a record in this case also.

Q6. What other details do I have to capture in respect of the patient?

Family Doctor Name and Address in the case of a vaccination for a Non-Medical Card holder.

Q7. I get paid for vaccinating a Medical Card holder in the target group. Why do I need to record vaccinations provided to persons not in the target group?

Since the HSE provides the vaccine and may be required to look back it is important to capture details of all vaccinations. Future stock distribution requirements to vaccination service providers can also be determined with reference to records of vaccinations provided.

Q8. I don't want to use the web site. Can I continue to submit manual paper claims?

In the event you continue to opt for manual submission, please arrange to use the blank vaccination form dispatched to you. This form should be copied when required and submitted for payment in one batch. Please insert all relevant details, including your medical council number and select appropriate at risk group where the client is aged under 65. Submission of this year's Flu Campaign on STC/SS/OOH claims will not be processed for payment.

Q9. What happens if the PCRS web site is down or my connection to the internet is not available?

The PCRS web site is available almost all of the time, 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. However, by way of backup, a vaccination record form will be available to download and copy. You should download this form and prepare a stock of forms as a backup to allow you provide vaccinations in the event of web site unavailability for any reason. Simply complete the form and enter the details later when the web site is available again. This form will contain the standard Data Protection notice which applies in the case of all records.

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Extra care should be used in this case to verify the details which you will need to enter into the web site later. If some of the details are incorrect, e.g. the medical card is not valid then you will not be able to get reimbursed for this service via the web site.

Q10. Where do I get help if I have problems with PCRS web sites?

There are two elements involved in using web sites successfully. These are (a) the web site itself and (b) the browser software you are using to access the web site and your computer environment the browser is installed on.

Regarding the web site itself, PCRS is committed to announcing any planned downtime in advance to you. If there is unplanned downtime a message will be posted to this effect as soon as possible. There is a single national web site and to the extent any issue arises PCRS is generally aware of that immediately.

Regarding your browser software itself and your computer environment, you need to ensure that these components are covered with support agreements so that you have assistance readily available to you.

Influenza/Pneumococcal Programme
Approved Vaccine Batch Numbers for 2012/2013 Programme

Vaccine Type	Manufacturer	Trade Name	Batch No.	Expiry Date
Influenza	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	INACTIVATED INFLUENZA	J8281-1	31/05/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	INACTIVATED INFLUENZA	J8282-1	31/05/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	INACTIVATED INFLUENZA	J8290-1	30/06/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	INACTIVATED INFLUENZA	J8291-1	30/06/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	INACTIVATED INFLUENZA	J8355-1	31/05/2013
Pneumococcal	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	H008048	31/01/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	H011853	31/03/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	H004821	30/11/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	G016345	30/09/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	G016662	30/09/2013
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	G003569	31/12/2012
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	PNEUMOVAX	G004655	31/12/2012
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	D83820	28/02/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	D91952	31/12/2012
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	D98904	31/01/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E06434	31/05/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E27610	31/05/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E30637	28/02/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E41210	30/04/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E44941	31/05/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR	E69504	31/08/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	E57205	31/05/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	E86733	31/03/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	E95244	31/05/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F15376	30/09/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F19054	31/10/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F30627	31/12/2013
	Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F50763	28/02/2014
Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F62144	30/04/2014	
Wyeth	PREVENAR 13	F89170	31/08/2014	