

**Office of the Nursing and Midwifery Services Director
National Nursing and Midwifery Immunisation Working Group
Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme
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Background

The Office of the Nursing and Midwifery Services Director (ONMSD) in partnership with the National Immunisation Office (NIO) develops the Medicine Protocol for Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme on an annual basis. There are two medicine protocols for the 2022/2023 season titled:

- *Medicine Protocol for the Administration of Influvac Tetra to adult vaccine recipients including nurses, midwives, healthcare workers, agency staff, contract workers and volunteers by registered nurses and registered midwives*
- *Medicine Protocol for the Administration of Quadrivalent Influenza Vaccine (Split Virion, inactivated) to adult vaccine recipients including nurses, midwives, healthcare workers, agency staff, contract workers and volunteers by registered nurses and registered midwives.*

HSE nurse and midwife vaccinators administer the vaccines under medicine protocol following the completion of an online education programme. It has been agreed to continue to deliver the programme online for the 2022/2023 season. This does not prohibit individual Centres of Nurse and Midwifery Education (CNMEs) from providing the programme face to face if required.

Online Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme

The online education programme is titled *Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme: Education Programme for Nurses and Midwives* and consists of recorded powerpoint presentations, which are accessible on HSElanD. Appendix 1 outlines how to access the programme on HSElanD.

Three 1-hour **optional** online Question & Answer (Q&A) sessions will be facilitated in autumn 2022:

- Thursday 13 October 1400-1500hrs
- Thursday 20 October 1400-1500hrs
- Thursday 27 October 1400-1500hrs

Those who register for the online education programme can choose to register to attend a Q&A session. These sessions will be facilitated by representatives from NIO, CNME and ONMSD.

Face to Face Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme

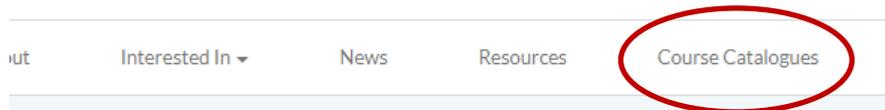
Individual CNMEs can contact Annette Cuddy, Director, and CNME Mayo/Roscommon at annette.cuddy@hse.ie to access the face to face education materials.

Conclusion

All relevant materials, including the link to the HSElanD education programme, are accessible through the NIO website, available at: <https://www.hse.ie/eng/health/immunisation/hcpinfo/>

How to register for Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme 2022/2023

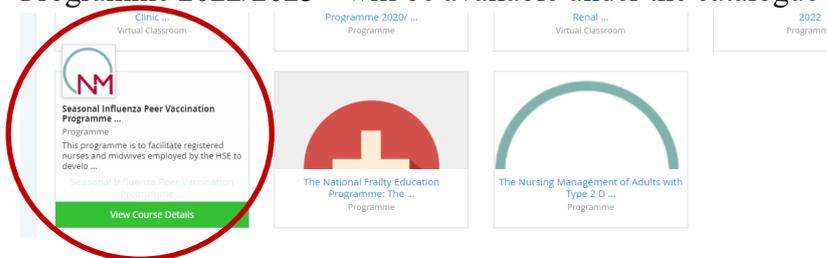
1. Navigate to www.hseland.ie
 - a. If you have an existing account, login using your username and password
 - b. If you do not have an existing account click 'Create Account' and register.
2. Once you have entered into HSELand page go to 'Course Catalogues' at the top of page



3. Click on ONMSD catalogue.



4. Scroll down below the CNME catalogues; the "Seasonal Influenza Vaccination Programme 2022/2023" will be available under the catalogue content.



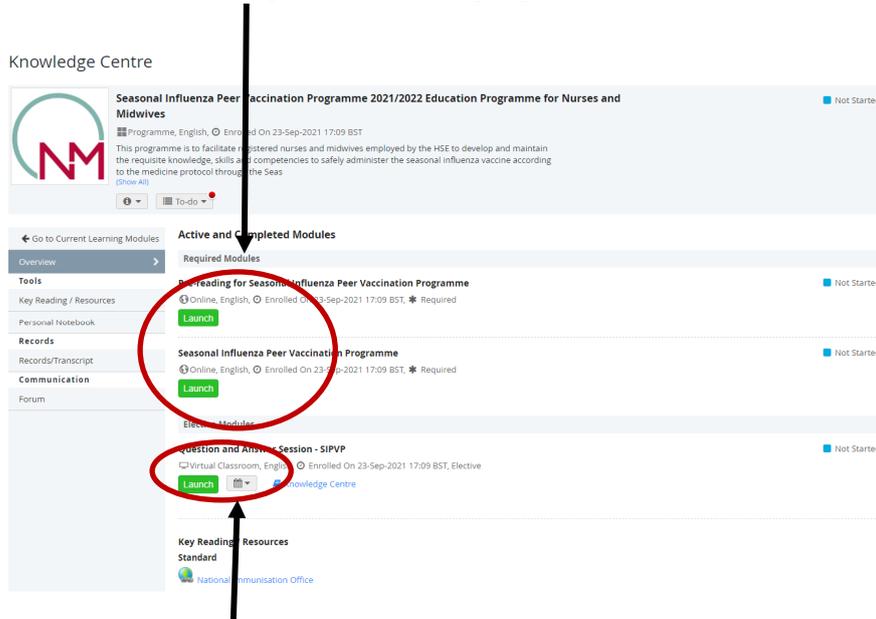
5. Click on the title of the programme and click enrol button below the appropriate session.
6. Click confirm enrolment
7. Click on Go to the Knowledge Centre



8. To access the programme from your learning record. Click Launch on the programme



9. Click Launch to complete the online programme



10. Click on Launch below the Question and answer session for joining the Virtual classroom

11. You can access the programme in your learning record if you wish to continue the online programme.