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Participation in 2013 / 2014 Seasonal Flu Campaign

Dear Community Pharmacist,

The target population for vaccination by Community Pharmacy Contractors has been extended for the 2013/2014 Seasonal Flu Campaign. Community pharmacists will be eligible to vaccinate -

- **Those aged 18 years and older in the at risk groups defined as the following:**
 - A. Chronic Respiratory Disease
 - B. Pregnant Women
 - C. Chronic Heart Disease
 - D. Chronic Renal Failure
 - E. Chronic Liver Disease
 - F. Chronic Neurological Disease
 - G. Immunosuppressed (due to disease or treatment)
 - H. Household contacts or out of home carer (to persons with increased medical risk)
 - I. Diabetes Mellitus
 - J. Morbidly Obese
 - K. Haemoglobinopathies
 - M. Residents of a nursing home or other long stay facility(only when vaccinated within the Pharmacy setting)
 - O. Carers
 - P. Workers in close contact with pigs, poultry or water fowl
 - R. Health Care worker – Medical/Dental
 - S. Health Care worker – Nursing
 - T. Health Care worker – Health and Social Staff
 - U. Health Care worker – Management/Administration
 - V. Health Care worker – General Support Staff
 - W. Other Health Care worker

- **X. Age 65 and over**

A list of the approved Vaccine Batch Numbers for the 2013/2014 Programme is attached.

Those pharmacies who registered previously (**with no changes in their contractor status in the intervening period**) with the HSE for participation in the Seasonal Flu Campaign are not required to register again as the HSE has retained your details in this regard. However, if you have signed a new contractor agreement in the intervening period, you must register again for the vaccination service by completing and returning the relevant form which can be accessed at www.pcrs.ie under Online Services.

If your pharmacy has not registered previously, you must complete and return the Registration form which, as set out above, can be accessed at www.pcrs.ie for the attention of Ms Kate Mulvenna, PCRS, Exit 5 M50, North Rd., Finglas, Dublin 11.

Please note that the form requires the Pharmacy Contractor and the Supervising Pharmacist to sign the required confirmations before the pharmacy contractor can be added to the list of locations to which the vaccine can be delivered.

Yours faithfully,

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

Patrick Burke
Primary Care Reimbursement Service

Attachments (1)

Influenza Programme
Approved Vaccine Batch Numbers for 2013/2014 Programme

Vaccine Type	Manufacturer	Brand Name	Batch Number	Expiry Date
Influenza	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	Inactivated Influenza 0.5 ml.	K8368-1	30/06/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	Inactivated Influenza 0.5 ml.	K8369-1	30/06/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	Inactivated Influenza 0.5 ml.	K7194-1	31/05/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	Inactivated Influenza 0.5 ml.	K8402-1	31/07/2014
	Sanofi Pasteur MSD	Inactivated Influenza 0.5 ml.	K8371-1	30/06/2014