

What you need to know about the flu vaccine

Due to a manufacturing problem, the national supply of flu vaccine has been cut in half. That means that we need to target the remaining vaccine's use to high-risk groups that are more likely to become seriously ill as a result of the flu.



Who Should Get the Flu Vaccine?

- ▲ All children aged 6-23 months
- ▲ Adults 65 and older
- ▲ Persons aged 2-64 years with underlying chronic medical conditions
- ▲ All women who will be pregnant during the influenza season
- ▲ Residents of nursing homes and long-term care facilities
- ▲ Children aged 6 months-18 years on chronic aspirin therapy
- ▲ Health-care workers involved in direct patient care; and
- ▲ Out-of-home caregivers and household contacts of children aged less than 6 months

All Other People Should Not Get the Flu Vaccine

People who are not in the high-risk groups may get the flu, but it isn't likely to have serious consequences. If you are not in one of the high-risk groups, please forego your flu shot this year, so that flu vaccine will be available for people who are more likely to have serious problems as a result of the flu.