UNIVERSAL INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM UPDATE: HIGH DOSE TRIVALENT INACTIVATED INFLUENZA VACCINE (HD-TIV) SUPPLY DEPLETED

To York Region health care professionals as of October 28, 2026

Due to high demand during the current Universal Influenza Immunization Program (UIIP) campaign, the Ministry of Health has announced that all doses of the High Dose Trivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (HD-TIV) allocated to Public Health Units have been distributed and the York Region Public Health (YRPH) supply is now depleted.

As a result, YRPH can no longer fulfill orders for HD-TIV submitted on or after October 28, 2026.

Alternative Flu Vaccines

The National Immunization Committee on Immunization (NACI) states that any of the available age-appropriate influenza vaccines may be used for individuals 65 years of age and older:

- **Adjuvanted Trivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (TIV-adj)** – Approved for individuals 65 years of age and over without contraindications to the vaccine. Both the High Dose Trivalent Inactivated Influenza (HD-TIV) and Adjuvanted Trivalent Inactivated Vaccine (TIV-adj) are equally recommended for individuals 65 years of age and older.

- **Trivalent Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (TIV)** – Approved for anyone six months of age and over without contraindications to the vaccine.

DO NOT DELAY FLU VACCINATION OF PATIENTS TO WAIT FOR A PARTICULAR PRODUCT.

It is important to vaccinate patients as soon as possible and to continue to administer any available influenza vaccine to those 65 years of age and older. Early uptake of the flu vaccine will help to keep the number of flu cases low.

To order additional flu vaccines: complete the UIIP 2026-2027 Influenza Vaccine Order Form and send it to vaccineinventory@york.ca or fax it to 905-830-0578 with the most current five business days of refrigeration temperature logs.