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PHARMACY NOTICE: Annual Flu Vaccination – Protecting Our Members and Communities

Why It Matters

Peach State Health Plan strives to improve the health and safety of our members through preventive care. Annual influenza vaccination remains one of the most effective ways to reduce flu-related illness, hospitalizations, and complications.

Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) Recommendations:

- Annual flu vaccination for all individuals aged 6 months and older without contraindications.
- For most patients requiring only one dose for the season, vaccination should ideally occur in September or October.
- Vaccination should continue throughout the flu season as long as influenza viruses are circulating.

Your Role

- Peach State Health Plan members aged 13 and older can receive their flu vaccination at any innetwork Retail Pharmacy on the <u>Find-A-Provider tool</u> with the *Vaccines Offered* indicator.
- Encourage patients to confirm participating locations through the PSHP provider directory or member services.
- Discuss and offer flu vaccination during appointments whenever possible.
- Remind patients of the in-network pharmacy benefit.

Flu Vaccines 2025-2026 Season			
Ages ≥ 6 months	Ages ≥9 years	Ages 2-49 years	Ages ≥ 65 years
Inactivated, Egg-Based:	Recombinant:	Live, Intranasal, Egg-Based:	Inactivated, Egg-Based:
Afluria	Flublok	FluMist	Fluzone HD
Fluarix			Fluad
FluLaval			
Fluzone			
Cell Cultured:			
Flucelvax			

Sincerely,

Peach State Health Plan, Pharmacy Department

Resources:

- centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Seasonal Influenza (Flu): Vaccine Recommendations. Updated August 2025. Available at: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/hcp/acip/index.html
- Grohskopf LA, Blanton LH, Ferdinands JM, Reed C, Dugan VG, Daskalakis DC. Prevention and Control of Seasonal Influenza with Vaccines: Recommendations of the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices — United States. 2025–26 Influenza Season, MMWR Morb Mortal Wklv Rep 2025;74:500–507. DOI: http://dx.doi.org/10.15585/mmwr.mm7432a2