# Lehigh Valley Health Network

### 2019-2020 CONSENT FOR INFLUENZA VACCINE

1	Are you an LVHN/LVPG employee, volunteer, or contracted service?
	IF <u>YES</u> , PLEASE ASK FOR <u>EMPLOYEE HEALTH CONSENT FORM</u> . IF <u>NO</u> , PLEASE PROCEED TO STEP 2.
2	Name:          Date of Birth:         /         Age:            Address:
	City: State: Zip Code: Email:
	Legal Sex: C F M Nonbinary Unknown X Doctor's Name:
	Phone: — — (Home/Mobile)
3	Screening:
	Have you received the flu vaccine before?
	Do any of the following apply?         Severe reaction to the flu vaccine in the past         *Serious allergy to chicken eggs         History of Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS)         Currently sick with a fever
	Participant/Parental Informed Consent Signature:
	<ul> <li>By signing, I have received and agreed to the following:</li> <li>Received and read the vaccine information sheet (dated 8/15/19) regarding the Benefits and Risks of receiving the Influenza vaccine;</li> <li>Had the opportunity to have questions answered regarding the vaccine;</li> <li>Consented to be immunized or have my child immunized;</li> <li>Understand that if my child is aged less than 9 years, I should consult my physician to determine if a second dose is indicated.</li> </ul>
4	I hereby release Lehigh Valley Health Network, its hospitals, physicians, employees, agents, representatives, and assigns, including but not limited to the property owner upon which the event takes place, and its respective parent, subsidiary, and affiliated companies, from any and all liability that may be associated with my (my child's) receipt of the flu vaccine.
	Signature of person being immunized, or authorized representative:
	X Relationship: Date://
	If under age 18, need parental consent. Parent/Guardian signature:
	Telephone consent:       Yes       No       Witnessed by:
	FOR INTERNAL USE ONLY
5	Standard - NO LABEL (6 months - 64 yrs) Site: Left Arm Date: November 9, 2019
	□ Green label (FluAd, ≥ 65 yrs) □ Left Leg □ November 10, 2019
	Refused FluAd      Refused FluAd      Right Leg
	*Vaccine Expiration: 2020 Vaccinator User ID & Initials:
	Patient MRN:

# Influenza (Flu) Vaccine (Inactivated or Recombinant): *What you need to know*

Many Vaccine Information Statements are available in Spanish and other languages. See www.immunize.org/vis

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1 Why get vaccinated?

Influenza vaccine can prevent influenza (flu).

**Flu** is a contagious disease that spreads around the United States every year, usually between October and May. Anyone can get the flu, but it is more dangerous for some people. Infants and young children, people 65 years of age and older, pregnant women, and people with certain health conditions or a weakened immune system are at greatest risk of flu complications.

Pneumonia, bronchitis, sinus infections and ear infections are examples of flu-related complications. If you have a medical condition, such as heart disease, cancer or diabetes, flu can make it worse.

Flu can cause fever and chills, sore throat, muscle aches, fatigue, cough, headache, and runny or stuffy nose. Some people may have vomiting and diarrhea, though this is more common in children than adults.

Each year **thousands of people in the United States die from flu**, and many more are hospitalized. Flu vaccine prevents millions of illnesses and flu-related visits to the doctor each year.

# 2 Influenza vaccine

CDC recommends everyone 6 months of age and older get vaccinated every flu season. **Children 6 months through 8 years of age** may need 2 doses during a single flu season. **Everyone else** needs only 1 dose each flu season.

It takes about 2 weeks for protection to develop after vaccination.

There are many flu viruses, and they are always changing. Each year a new flu vaccine is made to protect against three or four viruses that are likely to cause disease in the upcoming flu season. Even when the vaccine doesn't exactly match these viruses, it may still provide some protection.

Influenza vaccine does not cause flu.

Influenza vaccine may be given at the same time as other vaccines.

# **3** Talk with your health care provider

Tell your vaccine provider if the person getting the vaccine:

- Has had an allergic reaction after a previous dose of influenza vaccine, or has any severe, life-threatening allergies.
- Has ever had **Guillain-Barré Syndrome** (also called GBS).

In some cases, your health care provider may decide to postpone influenza vaccination to a future visit.

People with minor illnesses, such as a cold, may be vaccinated. People who are moderately or severely ill should usually wait until they recover before getting influenza vaccine.

Your health care provider can give you more information.



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#### 4 Risks of a vaccine reaction

• Soreness, redness, and swelling where shot is given, fever, muscle aches, and headache can happen after influenza vaccine.

 There may be a very small increased risk of Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) after inactivated influenza vaccine (the flu shot).

Young children who get the flu shot along with pneumococcal vaccine (PCV13), and/or DTaP vaccine at the same time might be slightly more likely to have a seizure caused by fever. Tell your health care provider if a child who is getting flu vaccine has ever had a seizure.

People sometimes faint after medical procedures, including vaccination. Tell your provider if you feel dizzy or have vision changes or ringing in the ears.

As with any medicine, there is a very remote chance of a vaccine causing a severe allergic reaction, other serious injury, or death.

# What if there is a serious problem?

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An allergic reaction could occur after the vaccinated person leaves the clinic. If you see signs of a severe allergic reaction (hives, swelling of the face and throat, difficulty breathing, a fast heartbeat, dizziness, or weakness), call **9-1-1** and get the person to the nearest hospital.

For other signs that concern you, call your health care provider.

Adverse reactions should be reported to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS). Your health care provider will usually file this report, or you can do it yourself. Visit the VAERS website at www.vaers.hhs.gov or call 1-800-822-7967. VAERS is only for reporting reactions, and VAERS staff do not give medical advice.

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#### The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program

The National Vaccine Injury Compensation Program (VICP) is a federal program that was created to compensate people who may have been injured by certain vaccines. Visit the VICP website at www.hrsa.gov/vaccinecompensation or call 1-800-338-2382 to learn about the program and about filing a claim. There is a time limit to file a claim for compensation.

### 7 How can I learn more?

- Ask your healthcare provider.
- Call your local or state health department.
- Contact the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC):
  - Call 1-800-232-4636 (1-800-CDC-INFO) or
  - Visit CDC's www.cdc.gov/flu

# Vaccine Information Statement (Interim) Inactivated Influenza Vaccine



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