Key Facts About Seasonal Influenza Vaccine (Flu Shot)

What is Influenza (also called Flu)?

Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs. Symptoms can range from mild to severe, and in some cases, it may lead to complications such as pneumonia or even death. Certain groups are at higher risk of developing severe illness from influenza, including: Pregnant women, Children under 5 years of age, Older adults, Individuals with chronic medical conditions, People with weakened immune systems.

Effects and Side Effects of the Vaccination:

The influenza (flu) vaccine helps prevent the onset of symptoms and reduces the risk of severe illness caused by the influenza virus. It also lowers the likelihood of complications, hospitalization, and death. Individuals at higher risk, as noted above, are especially encouraged to receive the vaccine. Family members of high-risk individuals and healthcare workers may also benefit significantly from vaccination.

In general, side effects are mild. The injection site may become red, swollen and/or harden, feel hot, hurt, feel numb or vesiculate, but these symptoms normally disappear within 2-3 days. You may also experience fever, chills, headaches, lethargy, temporary loss of consciousness, dizziness, swollen lymph nodes, cough, vomiting or nausea, diarrhea, joint pain, muscular pain and/or muscle weakness. An oversensitivity to the vaccination may lead to rashes, hives, eczema, erythema and/or itchiness, as well as cellulitis, facial palsy and other forms of paralysis, peripheral neuropathy, faint, vasovagal reaction and/or uveitis. The following side effects are extremely rare but have been known to occur: (1) shock, anaphylaxis (urticaria, dyspnea, angioedema, etc.), (2) acute disseminated encephalomyelitis (fever, headache, convulsions, dyskinesia, disturbance of consciousness, etc. within two weeks from several days after inoculation), (3) encephalitis/encephalopathy, myelitis, optic neuritis, (4) Guillain-Barre syndrome (numbness of both hands and feet, walking disorder etc.), (5) convulsion (including febrile convulsions), (6) liver dysfunction, jaundice, (7) asthma attacks, (8) thrombocytopenic purpura, thrombocytopenia, (9) vasculitis (IgA vasculitis, eosinophilic polyangiitis granulomatosis, leukocytoclastic vasculitis etc.), (10) interstitial pneumonia, (11) skin mucosal ocular syndrome (Stevens-Johnson syndrome), acute generalized exanthematous pustulosis, (12) nephrotic syndrome. If you have suffered serious health issue requiring hospitalization, you or your family can receive relief services in accords with the Law for the Pharmaceuticals and Medical Devices Agency (Phone 0120-149-931 LIRI: https://www.pmda.go.in)

Patients who cannot receive the influenza vaccination:

- 1 Patients with high fever (above 37.5°C)
- 2 Patients suffering from a serious acute illness
- 3 Patients who have ever had an anaphylactic reaction to the influenza vaccination.
- 4 Any other person determined by their doctor to be unable to receive the vaccination.
- *Additionally, those who have chronic diseases need to follow their doctor's instruction.

Patients who must consult their doctor before receiving the influenza vaccination:

- 1 Patients with developmental delays and receiving care from medical workers
- 2 Patients with a cold or other acute illnesses
- 3 Patients with heart diseases, kidney diseases, liver diseases, blood diseases, or other serious illnesses
- 4 Patients who have had a fever, allergic complications like rashes, or hives-within two days prior to a vaccination
- 5 Patients who have ever experienced seizures, or convulsions
- 6 Patients who have ever been diagnosed with, or have ever had relatives diagnosed with immunodeficiencies
- 7 Patients with interstitial pneumonia, bronchial asthma, or other types of respiratory illnesses
- 8 Patients who have ever experienced rashes on the skin or felt ill after taking medicine or food (especially chicken eggs or chicken products)
- 9 Pregnant women and women who may be pregnant

Caution – Please Read

- 1 Most of severe side effects occur within 30 minutes after receiving the vaccination. Please remain near the Health Service Center for 30 minutes so that you can promptly contact a doctor if necessary.
- 2 Keep the injection site clean and hygienic. You may take a shower or bath on the day of vaccination but avoid rubbing, scratching, or scrubbing the area.
- 3 Avoid strenuous exercise or heavy drinking on the day of the vaccination.
- 4 If you experience serious side effects, such as persistent high fever or convulsions, please seek medical attention immediately.

See the following website for more information

-> https://www.mhlw.go.jp/bunya/kenkou/kekkaku-kansenshou01/qa_eng.html

In Japan, the nasal spray vaccine is approved for individuals aged 2 to 18. In UTokyo Health Service Center, only the injectable form is administered.

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2025 Influenza Vaccination Questionnaire

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and risks of the vaccine? Is this your 1st influenza vaccination of this season?			-	YES	NO		
Are you feeling unwell at all today?				NO	YES		
If yes, please specify. ()					
Are you currently going to a doctor for any sort of illness?		,		NO	YES		
If yes, please specify. (Are you receiving any treatment (medication, etc)?					YES		
If yes, please specify. ()		NO	. 25		
Have you been ill within the past 1 month?				NO	YES		
If yes, please specify. ()					
Has anyone around you had influenza, measles, rubella, chickenpox, mumps or other infectious NO YES							
diseases within the past 1 month? If yes, please specify. ()					
Have you received any vaccination within the past 1 month	?			NO	YES		
If yes, please specify. (
Have you ever felt unwell after receiving a influenza vaccine?					YES		
If yes, please specify. () Have you ever felt unwell after receiving a vaccination other than the influenza vaccination?					YES		
If yes, please specify the name of vaccination and symp	NO	5					
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Have you ever been diagnosed with a serious illness such a		NO	YES				
liver, blood, central nerve disease, malignant tumor, immune If yes, please specify. (
If yes, have your doctor approved your influenza vaccina	,	YES	NO				
Have you ever developed convulsion?					YES		
If yes, about() times and () year		NO					
If yes, did it come with fever?					YES		
Have you ever been diagnosed with interstitial pneumonia, bronchial asthma, or other types of respiratory illnesses? If yes, please specify. (YES		
Have you ever had a rash, hives, or other allergic reaction t	o certain medicines or foods			NO	VEC		
(eggs or chicken etc.)?				NO	YES		
If yes, please specify. (Cause:)					
(Symptoms: Do you have any close relatives who felt ill due to a vaccina	ation?)		NO	YES		
Have you or any of your relatives been diagnosed with a congenital immunodeficiency?				NO	YES		
(Females only) Are you pregnant?		NO	YES / not sure				
	If yes, have your doctor approved your influenza vaccination? YES NO						
If you have any questions or concerns about your health or	today s vaccination, please	write then	n here.)		
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Vaccine recipient: I confirm that I have answered the above questions accurately. I understand the benefits and risks of this vaccine, including the possibility of rare but serious							
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