

FLU CHECKLIST 2025



Checklist: Prepare for the 2025 influenza season

Adapted from the NSW Health <u>Influenza Vaccination Provider Toolkit – February 2025</u>

DUE	✓	ACTION
NOW		Ensure you have access to the Australian Immunisation Register (AIR) through PRODA.
		Pharmacist immunisers must apply for an AIR provider number through <u>NSW Health</u> .
		Immunisation providers who do not have a Vaccine Account Number (VAN) with the State Vaccine Centre will need to apply for one.
Mid FEB		Discard all expired 2024 influenza vaccine stock and record on NSW Vaccine Centre portal.
		Identify all patients eligible for NIP vaccination programs.
		Check your fridge capacity to store the number of vaccines you will need.
		Check for email regarding pre-allocation orders (including junk folder) which will be sent in the week starting 10 February 2025.
17 Feb		Acknowledge your pre-allocation order on NSW Vaccine Centre portal before 7 March 2025 . Decrease allocation quantity if you do not have adequate fridge storage space.
MARCH		Order private market influenza vaccines
		Send communications to all patients reminding them of the importance of influenza vaccination.
		Check that all staff are trained in vaccine <u>cold chain management</u> (including receipt of vaccine deliveries).
		Facilitate staff education using the NSW Health Vaccine Storage and Cold Chain Management online training module to equip staff to effectively manage the cold chain.
APRIL		Vaccine deliveries will commence from late March to early April. Confirm receipt of delivery on NSW Vaccine Centre portal.
		Second orders can be placed once delivery of first order has been confirmed. Only order enough stock for use in a maximum 4-week period.
		Send reminder messages to pre-identified patients advising of free influenza vaccination.
		Display influenza campaign posters in your clinic.
Late APR		Commence influenza vaccination clinics from late April onwards.
		Report all vaccinations to the Australian Immunisation Registser (AIR).
		Report all adverse events following immunisation to your public health unit on 1300 066 055.
Mid MAY		Send reminders to patients who have not attended for vaccination.
		Reorder vaccines according to stock on hand and residual demand, taking into consideration the amount of 2024 expired stock at the end of last season.
		Create a flu vaccine waitlist if patient demand exceeds vaccine stock.

