

H1N1 Flu (Swine Flu)

Current Vaccine Priority Populations

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Due to the limited supply of H1N1 flu vaccine, at this time the following vaccine formulations are restricted for the following priority populations:

Influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent LAIV vaccine (nasal spray) should only be used for healthy individuals 2–49 years of age who are not pregnant AND who are in the following priority populations:

- Healthy children aged 24 months (2 years) through 24 years
- Healthy household contacts and caregivers of infants less than 6 months of age
- Healthy healthcare workers and Emergency Medical Services personnel who have direct contact with patients or infectious material. The supply of vaccine is not yet sufficient to offer vaccine to all health care workers who have direct patient care contact. Priority will be given to health care workers who have direct patient care contact with children.

Inactivated, injectable Influenza A (H1N1) 2009 Monovalent Vaccine ("shot") should only be use for the following priority populations:

- Pregnant women
- Household contacts and caregivers of infants less than 6 months of age
- All children aged 6 months through 83 months (age 6 months through 6 years)
- Children age 7 through 24 years with high risk medical conditions
- Healthcare workers and Emergency Medical Services personnel who have direct contact with patients or infectious material. The supply of vaccine is not yet sufficient to offer vaccine to all health care workers who have direct patient care contact. Priority will be given to health care workers who have direct patient care contact with children.

The injectable form of H1N1 vaccine is in short supply and should not be used in healthy persons aged 2 years through 24 years if LAIV is available.

A list of medical conditions that indicate a higher risk for influenza-related complications can be found here: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/highrisk.htm>