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Dear Health Care Provider:

Re: Seasonal influenza 2022/23: registration reminder

Last month, Manitoba Health announced a remodelled ordering and delivering process for the 2022/23 influenza season based on an online order survey that will guarantee earlier access to influenza vaccine, increase order frequency throughout the season, and reduce wastage.

This letter is a reminder that ALL health care providers need to register by filling out the form available at <https://forms.gov.mb.ca/influenza-distribution-registration/>. The earlier you register, the sooner your location will be placed in one of the two distribution groups. Providers/facilities will be split based on the last digit of their Holding Point Code (AKA Client ID) and whether or not they are considered a priority location (eg. Hospitals, First Nation Communities, and Long Term Care Homes).

Please, note that registration is still required even for those who have administered the influenza vaccines in the previous years or have already registered to receive COVID-19 vaccines. Providers/facilities cannot request vaccine until they have registered. It is therefore critical that every provider register as soon as possible in order for us to implement the distribution groups and for you to be notified about which of the two distribution groups your location will belong to prior to the first survey that will be sent early in September.

Please, disregard this letter if you already have registered.

Also, a friendly reminder that if any immunization provider plans to hold flu-specific immunization clinics and would like to be added to the [Vaccine Finder Map](#), they will need to submit the information identified below **by September 15** to Vaccines@gov.mb.ca:

- Location Name
- Location Address
- Clinic Date(s) and Times
- If wheelchair accessible
- If appointments are required. If yes, provide a phone number

For more information regarding the new enhanced ordering model, please visit <https://www.manitoba.ca/health/flu/distribution.html>. A FAQ page is also available at https://www.manitoba.ca/health/flu/distribution_faq.html.

In the coming weeks, there will be updated factsheets and other resources, such as posters, available to order free of charge for health care providers. Please check the Seasonal Flu – Information for Health Professionals website at www.gov.mb.ca/health/flu/pro.html to order.

Please, take a moment to go over the updated [Interim Seasonal Influenza Immunization Program Plan 2022-23](#) and if you have any questions about Manitoba’s Immunization Program, feel free to contact us at Vaccines@gov.mb.ca.

Sincerely,

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