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Dear Medicaid Provider,

The 2018/19 Influenza (Flu) season is now underway. DVHA-enrolled pharmacies may be reimbursed for injectable influenza vaccinations administered by pharmacists to adults <u>19 years and older</u> who are enrolled in Vermont's publicly funded programs. Pharmacists must be certified to administer vaccines in the State of Vermont and must be in compliance with all Vermont laws governing vaccine administration. Failure to comply with all Vermont immunization regulations will subject these claims to recoupment. Children age 6 months through 18 years presenting for flu vaccination at pharmacies should be referred to their health care provider for State-supplied vaccines.

Covered Vaccines:

- ✓ Afluria[®] (Trivalent, Quadrivalent)
- ✓ Fluarix[®] (Quadrivalent)
- ✓ FluLaval[®] (Quadrivalent)
- ✓ Fluzone[®] (Quadrivalent, Intradermal)

Pharmacies are reimbursed for the ingredient cost of the vaccine as well as the administration fee. No dispensing fee is paid for these claims. Reimbursement will be based on either a written prescription or a non-patient specific written protocol based on a collaborative practice agreement per state law. These orders must be kept on file at the pharmacy. Through the pharmacy POS system, the pharmacy must submit the code "MA" in the Professional Service Code field for the influenza vaccine claim in order to receive full reimbursement. Please note there will be NO beneficiary copay for influenza vaccine.

Required NCPDP Fields		
NCPDP Field Number	NCPDP Field Description	Required Code
44Ø-E5	Professional Service Code	МА
4Ø7-D7	Product/Service ID	NDC for Flu Vaccine

For questions regarding this benefit, please contact the Change Healthcare Pharmacy Help Desk at 1-844-679-5362. Vermont providers can also send inquiries via email to **PBA_VTHelpdesk@changehealthcare.com.** Thank you for your continued support of Vermont's clinical pharmacy programs.

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