

FLUCELVAX® QUADRIVALENT (Influenza Vaccine) Important Safety Information

What is FLUCELVAX® QUADRIVALENT (Influenza Vaccine)?

FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT is a vaccine that helps protect people aged 6 months and older from the flu. Vaccination with FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT may not protect all people who receive the vaccine.

Please see additional Important Safety Information on last page, and the <u>full US Prescribing Information</u> for FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT.

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WHY IS IT IMPORTANT THAT CHILDREN GET A SEASONAL FLU SHOT?

- Millions of children are affected by the flu each year³
- A study over 4 US flu seasons, between 2010 and 2014, found that flu vaccination reduced the risk of flu-related death by 65 percent among healthy children (ages 6 months through 17 years)⁴
- The CDC recommends that all eligible patients 6 months and older get vaccinated every year³



Most flu shots are produced by growing flu viruses in chicken eggs. It's a process that may cause changes to the viruses in the vaccine. An alternative way to produce flu vaccines is by growing flu viruses in mammalian cells. **These cell-based vaccines avoid the changes that occur in egg-based vaccine production.**⁵



CHILDREN HAVE HIGHER INFLUENZA INFECTION RATES AND CAN SPREAD THE FLU LONGER THAN ADULTS^{6,7}

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FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT is a cell-based flu shot for prevention of seasonal flu in patients **6 months and older**. It helps protect against 4 different strains contained within the vaccine.²

FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT IS:

- Free of eggs and antibiotics²
- Available in an option that contains no preservatives^{†2}
- Covered by Vaccines for Children (VFC), Medicare Part B, and most major health plans—some patients may even qualify for \$0 copayment or deductible^{‡§}

*FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT 0.5-mL pre-filled syringes contain no preservative. FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT 5-mL multi-dose vials contain thimerosal, a mercury derivative, added as a preservative. *Talk with your insurance provider to understand your coverage benefits

§This information does not constitute a guarantee or warranty of coverage benefits or reimbursement. Confirm availability with your state's VFC program.

Important Safety Information (continued) Who should not get FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT?

You should not get FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT if you have had a severe allergic reaction to any of the ingredients in the vaccine.

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TALK TO YOUR DOCTOR OR PHARMACIST TO LEARN MORE ABOUT **FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT.**



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Before receiving FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT, tell your healthcare provider about all medical conditions, including if you:

- have ever had Guillain-Barré syndrome (severe muscle weakness) within six weeks after getting a flu vaccine. The decision to give FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT should be made by your healthcare provider, based on careful consideration of the potential benefits and risks.
- have problems with your immune system or are taking certain medications that suppress your immune system, as these may reduce your immune response to the vaccine
- · have ever fainted when receiving a vaccine

What are the most common side effects of FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT?

- pain, redness, swelling, or a raised hardened area where the vaccine was given
- headache

- overtiredness with low energy
- muscle aches
- feeling unwell (malaise)

Additional side effects seen in children include:

- tenderness or bruising where vaccine was given
- sleepiness

- irritability
- diarrhea
- · changes in eating habits

These are not all of the possible side effects of FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT.

You can ask your healthcare provider for more information and for advice about any side effects that concern you.

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact Seqirus at 1-855-358-8966 or VAERS at 1-800-822-7967 or www.vaers.hhs.gov.

You are also encouraged to report negative side effects of prescription drugs to the FDA. Visit www.fda.gov/medwatch or call 1-800-FDA-1088.

Before receiving this vaccine, please see the <u>full US Prescribing</u> <u>Information</u> for FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT. The information provided here does not include all that is known about FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT. To learn more, talk with your healthcare provider or pharmacist.

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