



H1N1 Vaccine-Specific Information

2009 H1N1 Inactivated Vaccine

- 2009 H1N1 inactivated vaccine can be given at the same time as seasonal flu vaccine
- The World Health Organization (WHO) recommends 2009 H1N1 inactivated vaccine for:
 - ◇ Pregnant or breastfeeding women
 - ◇ People who live with or care for infants younger than 6 months of age
 - ◇ Health care and emergency services personnel
 - ◇ Anyone 6 months to 24 years of age
 - ◇ Anyone ages 25 to 64 with a chronic health condition or compromised immune system
- 2009 H1N1 Live Attenuated Intranasal Vaccine (LAIV)
- 2009 H1N1 LAIV and seasonal LAIV should NOT be given together
- The World Health Organization (WHO) has approved LAIV for healthy people ages 2 to 49 years old. WHO also recommends that healthy people ages 25 to 49 that live or care for infants under 6 months old, or are health care or emergency medical workers get vaccinated.
- LAIV should NOT be given to:
 - ◇ Children younger than 2 years old
 - ◇ Children younger than 5 years old who have asthma or one or more episodes of wheezing in the past year
 - ◇ Children or adolescents on long-term aspirin treatment
 - ◇ Adults 50 years and older
 - ◇ Pregnant women
 - ◇ People with weakened immune systems
 - ◇ People with long-term health conditions, including:
 - Heart disease
 - Lung disease
 - Asthma
 - Kidney or liver disease
 - Metabolic disease such as diabetes
 - Anemia and other blood disorders
 - ◇ Anyone with a certain muscle or nerve disorder like cerebral palsy that can lead to breathing or swallowing problems
 - ◇ Anyone in close contact with a person with a severely weakened immune system and who requires care in a protected environment



Dosage Information

- Adults and older children need only one dose
- Children 9 years of age and younger should get two (2) doses of 2009 H1N1 vaccine about a month apart
- As with seasonal flu vaccine, children ages 6 months through 35 months should get two (2) doses of 2009 H1N1 vaccine that contains ½ the dose used for older children and adults
- People with a severe, life-threatening allergy to eggs or another substance in the vaccine should not get the 2009 H1N1 vaccine

H1N1 Vaccine is available free of charge to Medicare providers. Providers should not bill for the vaccine, just the administration of the vaccine.

Diagnosis Code:

- ◇ V04.81

Administration Code:

- G9141—H1N1 immunization administration (includes the physician counseling the patient/family)
- ◇ G9142—H1N1 vaccine, any route of administration

Revenue Code:

- ◇ 771

For more billing specifics, please go to:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/MLNMattersArticles/downloads/SE0920.pdf>

For other related information, please see the CMS website regarding H1N1 at:

<http://www.cms.hhs.gov/H1N1/>



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For more information on who should receive the H1N1 vaccine as well as other specific vaccine information, please use the following CDC link:

<http://cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/>