Due to the possibility of concurrent circulation of influenza and COVID-19, providing influenza vaccinations to the public is a priority to protect the community and reduce the burden on the healthcare system.

Influenza immunization is critical to:
- protect individuals at high risk of influenza-related complications and hospitalizations, and co-infection of influenza and COVID-19
- decrease influenza outbreaks in congregate settings
- decrease hospitalizations and Emergency Room visits to preserve health care capacity for COVID-19 patients.

Residents of Wellington County, Dufferin County and the City of Guelph who are over 6 months of age can access the flu vaccine at the following locations:
1) Local pharmacy (ages 5 and older)
2) Primary care provider, including during regular appointments
3) Public Health offices if a person cannot go to a local pharmacy or a primary care provider

Public Health Clinics

In Clinic, by Appointment Only

Dates may be subject to change

**Wellington**
- **Where:** Centre Wellington Sportsplex, Fergus
- **When:** Oct 26th - Nov 7th

**Dufferin**
- **Where:** WDG Public Health Office, Orangeville
- **When:** Oct 19th - Nov 7th

**Guelph**
- **Where:** WDG Public Health Office, Guelph
- **When:** Oct 19th - Nov 7th

**Monday - Thursday:** 9am - 6:30pm
**Friday - Saturday:** 9am - 3:30pm
**Wellington exceptions:** Oct 19th 11am - 6:30pm, Nov 7th 9am - 3pm

User-friendly online booking system and consent process
www.wdgpublichealth.ca

Clients will be asked for consent for WDGPH to share their influenza immunization status with their primary care provider

**Shelters and Group Homes**
WDGPH has offered to provide influenza vaccinations to all local congregate settings that do not have medical staff.
People at high risk of influenza related complications & hospitalizations

Defined by the National Advisory Committee on Immunization (NACI)

- People over 65 or younger than 5
- Pregnant woman
- Essential community and health care workers
- People with heart, brain, lung, kidney or immune disorders, diabetes, cancer, morbid obesity or anemia
- Residents of nursing homes and other chronic care facilities
- Indigenous people
- People who work with poultry
- People who could spread influenza to anyone who is high risk

Vaccine Information

**Initial Distribution by WDGPH**

*Week of October 5th*

Retirement homes, long term care homes & hospitals, followed by primary care providers.

**Distribution to Pharmacies**

*October 5th - October 19th*

By pharmaceutical distribution centres.

**UIIP Launch**

*October 19th*

Anticipated launch of the Universal Influenza Immunization Program.

**Vaccine Ordering from WDGPH**

*Ongoing*

Use WDGPH’s Influenza Vaccine Order Form and order only a two-week supply by noon every Thursday for delivery or pick-up the following week. *Providers in North Wellington should refer to their schedule.

**Vaccine Types**

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Approved pharmacies will be administering IIV3-HD to those 65 years or older; therefore, Public Health will be receiving less IIV3-HD to allocate. Primary care providers can begin immunizing clients as soon as their initial vaccine allocation is received.

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