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MEMORANDUM

TO: North Carolina Immunization Program (NCIP) Participants

FROM: Brandon C. L. Rector, Customer Service Supervisor

Immunization Branch

SUBJECT: Limited Seasonal Influenza Vaccine Available for Order

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has provided a final allocation of seasonal influenza vaccine in the following formulations to the North Carolina Immunization Program for distribution from McKesson Specialty:

- FluMist[®], nasal sprayers
- Fluzone preservative-free, 0.25mL prefilled syringes
- Fluvirin® preservative-free, 0.5mL prefilled syringes
- Fluvirin®, 5mL multi-dose vials

Doses will be made available beginning Thursday, November 12 to all NCIP providers on a first-come, first-served basis. Please submit orders via the North Carolina Immunization Registry (NCIR); NC Immunization Help Desk, 1-877-873-6247; or by faxing an order form to 1-800-544-3058. All vaccine must be administered according to current NCIP Coverage Criteria, available at http://www.immunizenc.com/Providers.htm.

Orders take approximately one week to arrive in provider offices. Please remember, we are unable to process orders between Friday, November 13, 3pm and Monday, November 30, 8am because of the Thanksgiving holiday.

Please contact the North Carolina Immunization Help Desk at 1-877-873-6247, if you need further assistance.

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