

Q&A

DISCOVER WHAT MAKES A CELL-BASED FLU SHOT DIFFERENT

01 Why is it important to get a yearly flu shot?

Millions of Americans are affected by the flu each year. A seasonal flu shot is the best way to help protect yourself from getting the flu. It's important to get vaccinated annually because **viruses that cause the flu change every year and immune protection from vaccination declines over time.**¹ The CDC recommends that all eligible patients 6 months and older get vaccinated every year.¹

02 What are some ways flu shots are made?

Most flu shots are produced by growing human flu viruses in chicken eggs. This process causes changes to the viruses in the vaccine called egg adaptation. 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.**²

03 What is egg adaptation?

Egg adaptation is one factor that may affect how well your flu shot works. Because human flu viruses don't naturally grow in eggs, they must undergo egg-adapted changes. These changes may cause a flu shot not to match the flu strains spreading in the community.³

04 Is FLUCELVAX[®] QUADRIVALENT a new flu vaccine?

FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT was first **approved by the FDA in 2016** for the prevention of seasonal influenza.⁴ It earned approval for patients 6 months and older in October 2021.⁴ **Over 100+ million estimated doses have been distributed across 5 influenza seasons** in the US.⁵

05 Is FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT the right flu shot for me?

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

06 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.⁴ **Talk to your doctor or pharmacist if you have more questions about FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT.**

07 Is there coverage assistance for FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT?

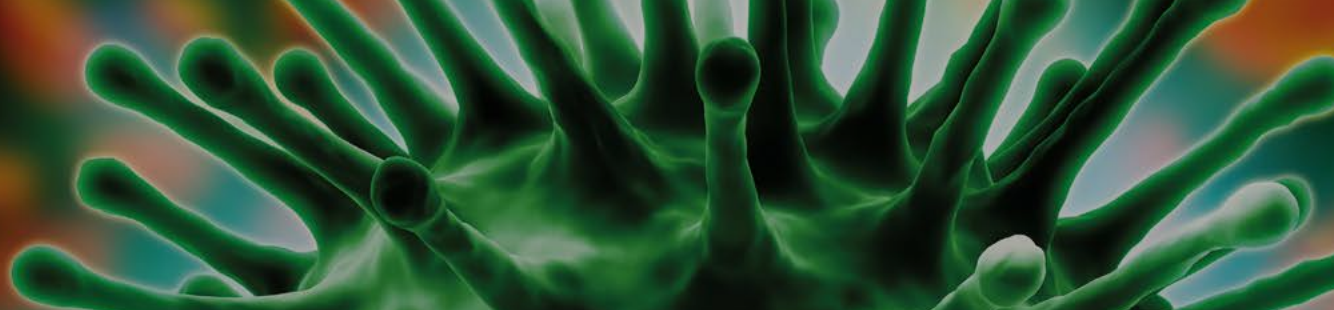
FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT is covered by **Vaccines for Children (VFC), Medicare Part B, and most major health plans**—some patients may even qualify for \$0 copayment or deductible.^{**}

*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.

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

Please see Important Safety Information on the next page and the [full US Prescribing Information](#) for FLUCELVAX QUADRIVALENT.



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.

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.

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 full US Prescribing Information 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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