

Publicly Funded Influenza Vaccination Programs in Canada: 2025-2026



Province or Territory	BC	AB	SK	MB	ON	QC	NB	NS	PE	NL	NT	YK	NU
Provinces and territories where the influenza vaccine is freely available	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Groups for whom the influenza vaccine is particularly recommended													
Healthy children 6 to 59 months of age	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Anyone who is pregnant	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ ¹	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Adults 65 and older	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓ ²	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Adults and children with chronic conditions	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
People residing in nursing homes and other chronic-care facilities	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Indigenous Peoples (please see note 3)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Healthcare workers and other people capable of spreading influenza to those at high risk	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Please note that anyone who lives, works, or goes to school in Canada should receive the influenza vaccine.													

Notes:

1. In Quebec: the influenza vaccine is recommended for anyone who is 13 or more weeks pregnant, and for pregnant people with chronic health conditions.

2. In Quebec: the influenza vaccine is highly recommended for adults 75 years and older.

3. Influenza vaccination is particularly important for individuals in or from First Nations, Inuit, or Métis communities, regardless of their geographic location, because they tend to have higher rates of influenza-associated hospitalization. The increased risk of severe influenza among individuals in or from First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities is a result of intersecting determinants of health rooted in historic and ongoing colonization and systemic racism.