

To:- All practices Surrey and Sussex LMCs

6th February 2018

Dear Colleagues

Vaccine ordering for influenza season 2018/19

The LMC have now received the enclosed letter from NHS England regarding flu vaccine ordering arrangements for season 2018/19, together with an FAQ.

Colleagues will note that:

- Flu ordering deadlines have been extended for both adjuvanted trivalent and quadrivalent vaccines, for which there are sufficient supplies providing orders are received by 29th March 2018.
- NHS England confirm reimbursement for both vaccines
- JCVI recommendations are for:
 - o Inactivated adjuvanted trivalent vaccine for those 65 years and over
 - Quadrivalent vaccine for adults under 65, including pregnant women

NHS England has also indicated any colleagues encountering supply difficulties should contact NHS England; please could colleagues copy the LMC into such emails.

Practices should note any costs associated with supply order cancellations or changes are not underwritten by NHS England and therefore practices being advised these costs may be applied should contact the LMC and we will ask NHS England locally for advice.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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