H1N1 Vaccine

VACCINATION GUIDE



Novartis CSL Sanofi US GlaxoSmithKline

Form Steps in vaccinating using

Novartis, CSL, Sanofi US H1N1 pandemic flu vaccines:

1



Maintain vaccine at temperature

between +2 and +8°C.

Do not freeze.

(Note: this vaccine does not have a vaccine vial monitor on it.)

Most manufacturers are stating that open vials can be kept for 24 hours under cold chain storage conditions, +2 to +8°C. There are differences however, please follow the instructions from the manufacturer.

2



Ask the person to be vaccinated for eligibility and contraindications.

The vaccine should not be given to those who are allergic to egg or who have had an allergic reaction to influenza vaccine in the past. Pregnant women can be vaccinated at any time during their pregnancy. 3



Tell the person that they are receiving H1N1 influenza vaccine that will protect them from serious respiratory (breathing) problems.

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Prior to each administration, the vial should be shaken and inspected visually for any foreign particulate matter and/or abnormal physical appearance. In the event of either being observed, discard the vaccine.

5



Prepare to vaccinate.

Use a syringe with the same needle length and gauge as is used for other intramuscular vaccinations.

Use the vaccine within 24 hours and do not store above 25°C.

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Directly dispose of syringe into a safety box and without re-capping the needle. This is to be done immediately after vaccinating.

Administer the vaccine. Administer the administration following the national guidelines on age and body site.

WHO recommends one dose for anyone receiving the vaccine (two doses preferred for children, depending on the availability of the vaccine).

The injection site is the upper arm. If considered within the context of the each countries' vaccination plans, the site of administration in children > 6 months of age is the outer aspect of the upper thigh.

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Counsel the person about common side effects and adverse events. Common side effects are redness, swelling, and/or pain at the injection site for 1-2 days. If there is any serious health issues, such as difficulty breathing, return to the health facility for care as soon as possible.

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Ask the person if they have any questions.

Type of vaccine	Inactivated virus	Special precautions	Need to verify
Number of doses	One dose	Dosage	0.5 mL for adults, 0.25 mL for infants > 6 months
Schedule	Can be given at any time		to 2 years (unless it is a pediatric formulation)
Booster	No	Injection site	Upper arm for adults; outer aspect of
Contraindications	Allergy to chicken or egg products		the upper thigh children under 9 months
Common side effects	Soreness, redness, swelling at	Injection type	Intramuscular
	injection site	Storage	+2 to +8°C; do not freeze

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Instructions for mixing and administration of the GlaxoSmithKline H1N1 pandemic flu vaccine

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Before mixing the two components, the adjuvant and antigen should be allowed to reach room temperature, shaken and inspected visually for any foreign particulate matter and/or abnormal physical appearance. In the event of either being observed, discard the vaccine.

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The vaccine is mixed by withdrawing the contents of the vial containing the adjuvant by means of a syringe and by adding it to the vial containing the liquid antigen.

After mixing the 2 vials it is equal to 10 doses of the vaccine.

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After the addition of the adjuvant to the antigen, the mixture should be well shaken. The mixed vaccine is a whitish mixture. In the event of other variation being observed, discard the vaccine.



The vial should be shaken prior to each administration.

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Use a syringe with the same needle length and gauge as is used for other intramuscular vaccinations.

After mixing, use the vaccine within 24 hours and do not store above 25°C. (there are some formulations that can be opened longer).

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