

Table 4.7.1: Recommended doses of influenza vaccine

Age	Dose	Number of doses required	
		In the first year of influenza vaccination	If previously received 1 or more doses of influenza vaccine
6 months to <3 years*	0.25 mL [†]	2	1
3 to <9 years*	0.5 mL [‡]	2	1
≥9 years	0.5 mL [‡]	1 [§]	1

* Children aged 6 months to <9 years receiving influenza vaccine for the first time require 2 doses, at least 4 weeks apart, to maximise the immune response to the vaccine strains. For children who have previously received 1 or more doses of trivalent or quadrivalent influenza vaccine, only 1 dose of influenza vaccine is required in the current season and all seasons thereafter (irrespective of whether TIV or QIV is being used).^{55,56}

† If a child aged 6 months to <3 years inadvertently receives a 0.5 mL dose of influenza vaccine, no immediate action is necessary, and any additional dose(s) required that season or in future seasons should be given following standard recommendations.

‡ If a child aged ≥3 years or an adult inadvertently receives a 0.25 mL dose of influenza vaccine, an additional 0.25 mL should be administered immediately. If the error is discovered later (after the patient has left the vaccination setting), a full age-appropriate dose (0.5 mL) should be administered as soon as the patient can return. Any additional dose(s) required that season or in future seasons should then be given following standard recommendations.

§ Two doses, at least 4 weeks apart, are recommended for persons with certain immunocompromising conditions (i.e. haematopoietic stem cell transplant or solid organ transplant) receiving influenza vaccine for the first time post transplant (irrespective of their age) (refer to 4.7.7 *Recommendations* below and 3.3 *Groups with special vaccination requirements*).