

Medicare Part B Billing Guidance for FLUAD® (Influenza Vaccine, Adjuvanted)

COVERAGE:

Medicare Part B will pay for influenza virus vaccines and their administration, including FLUAD. Generally, only one influenza virus vaccination is medically necessary per influenza season. Medicare beneficiaries may receive the vaccine one time each influenza virus season, paid by Medicare, without a physician’s order and supervision.¹

If the provider knows or has reason to believe that a particular group health plan covers influenza virus vaccine and administration, then the patient’s primary insurance must be billed first.²

CODING:

The Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) code for the vaccine given is billed along with the Medicare administration HCPCS code, G0008. SNF providers billing Medicare for providing influenza vaccinations to patients residing in skilled nursing care units must also include revenue codes 0636 for the vaccine and 0771 for the administration service.¹

Report the ICD-10 diagnosis code, Z23, indicating an encounter for vaccine administration. The ICD-10 diagnosis code should be linked to both the vaccine and the administration code.⁴

CPT (Current Procedural Terminology) is a registered trademark of the American Medical Association. HCPCS=Healthcare Common Procedural Coding System

Examples Below:

Bill Type 022x (Skilled Nursing Care)



Bill Type 023x (Non-Skilled/Custodial Care)



PAYMENT:

SNF payment for influenza vaccine is based on 100% of reasonable cost.² Each provider is assigned an interim rate, which is applied to charges for items subject to reasonable cost reimbursement, and that is the amount that is payable on an interim claim-by-claim basis. Final payment is then made via the cost settlement.¹ Providers should monitor the interim rate to ensure the intermediary is making necessary adjustments, and supplying the necessary information to help justify any adjustments.

SNF payment for administration is based on the Medicare Physician Fee Schedule (PFS).² HCPCS code G0008 is not included on the Medicare PFS.

Continue to use your Medicare Administrative Contractor for any additional SNF billing questions. If the patient is covered under a Medicare Advantage Plan, check with the plan for specific billing rules and payment information.

Scan the QR code to look up payment for HCPCS G0008 for your locality.⁵



FLUAD[®] (Influenza Vaccine, Adjuvanted) INDICATION and IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

INDICATIONS AND USAGE

FLUAD is a vaccine indicated for active immunization for the prevention of influenza disease caused by influenza virus subtypes A and type B contained in the vaccine. FLUAD is approved for use in adults 65 years of age and older.

This indication is approved under accelerated approval based on the immune response elicited by FLUAD. Continued approval for this indication may be contingent upon verification and description of clinical benefit in a confirmatory trial.

IMPORTANT SAFETY INFORMATION

CONTRAINDICATIONS

Do not administer FLUAD to anyone with a history of a severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) to any component of the vaccine, including egg protein, or to a previous influenza vaccine.

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

If Guillain-Barré Syndrome (GBS) has occurred within six weeks of previous influenza vaccination, the decision to give FLUAD should be based on careful consideration of the potential benefits and risks.

Appropriate medical treatment must be immediately available to manage potential anaphylactic reactions following administration of FLUAD.

Syncope (fainting) may occur in association with administration of injectable vaccines including FLUAD. Procedures should be in place to avoid injury from fainting.

The immune response to FLUAD in immunocompromised persons, including individuals receiving immunosuppressive therapy, may be lower than in immunocompetent individuals.

Vaccination with FLUAD may not protect all vaccine recipients against influenza disease.

ADVERSE REACTIONS

The most common ($\geq 10\%$) local and systemic adverse reactions in adults 65 years of age and older who received FLUAD were injection site pain (25%), injection site tenderness (21%), myalgia (15%), fatigue (13%) and headache (13%).

Other adverse events may occur.

To report SUSPECTED ADVERSE REACTIONS, contact CSL Seqirus at 1-855-358-8966 or VAERS at 1-800-822-7967 and www.vaers.hhs.gov.

Before administration, please see the full US Prescribing Information for FLUAD.

Information on reimbursement is provided as a courtesy. Due to the rapidly changing nature of the law, Medicare payment policy, and/or reliance on information provided by outside sources, the information provided herein does not constitute a guarantee or warranty that reimbursement will be received or that the codes identified herein are or will remain applicable. This information is provided "as is" and without any other warranty or guarantee, expressed or implied, as to completeness or accuracy, or otherwise.

Providers must confirm or clarify coding and coverage from their respective payers, and are responsible for accurate reporting of products in accordance with particular payer requirements.

Visit flu360.com for additional resources and information.

Questions?



**Call flu360 Customer Service
(855) 358-8966, option 2**

References: **1.** CMS. 2012-2013 immunizers' question & answer guide to Medicare Part B, Medicaid and CHIP coverage of seasonal influenza and pneumococcal vaccinations. Accessed February 22, 2024. https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Prevention/Immunizations/Downloads/2012-2013_Flu_Guide.pdf **2.** CMS. Chapter 18: Preventative and screening services. *Medicare Claims Processing Manual*. Accessed February 22, 2024. <https://www.cms.gov/regulations-and-guidance/guidance/manuals/downloads/clm104c18pdf.pdf> **3.** CMS. General explanation of the major categories for skilled nursing facility (SNF) consolidated billing. Accessed February 22, 2024. <https://www.cms.gov/files/document/general-explanation-major-categories-skilled-nursing-facility-snf-consolidated-billing.pdf> **4.** Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services. Flu shot. Accessed February 22, 2024. <https://www.cms.gov/flu-provider> **5.** CMS. Seasonal influenza vaccines pricing. Accessed February 22, 2024. <https://www.cms.gov/files/zip/2024-locality-adjusted-payment-rates-influenza-pneumococcal-hepatitis-b-vaccine-administration-home.zip>