NHS Flu Season 2020/21 - Postcard 5

Are you ready? The service specification and PGD have been published (Friday 28th August), both documents can be found here

A fee of £8.08 will be paid for each adult flu vaccination administered by a pharmacy. An additional fee of £1.50 will be paid to cover training and clinical waste costs associated with vaccinating (giving a total fee per vaccination of £9.58). Pharmacies will also be reimbursed the cost of the vaccine in accordance with Part II, Clause 8C (Basic Price) of the Drug Tariff. An allowance at the applicable VAT rate will also be paid.

Summary of service changes for 2020 -21

- 1. Written consent has been removed; pharmacies must record that verbal consent was obtained on PharmOutcomes
- 2. The need to notify NHS England before undertaking vaccinations off-site is removed
- 3. The need to notify a patient's GP in advance of vaccinating a patient in their home/ care home is removed
- 4. The restrictions for off-site vaccination has been removed and pharmacies can now vaccinate off-site
- 5. Pharmacies can vaccinate patients in any appropriate space within the pharmacy (although the patient must still be able to have their vaccination in the consultation room if they request it)

PPE

National requirements on PPE were updated on 21st August. Details can be found here Giving vaccinations is considered a medium risk activity and therefore pharmacists will need to wear a mask when giving the vaccination. Hand hygiene between patients is also required.

Date for your diary: CPCS Flu webinar – Monday 7th September. Register here https://www.workcast.com/register?cpak=3761456982982368

