

As flu season ends, return unused flu vaccine to Public Health

Update to York Region health care providers as of May 1, 2018

Confirmed cases of influenza are decreasing in York Region, signalling the end of the 2017-2018 flu season. Publicly funded flu vaccine that cannot be used by your pharmacy or practice must be returned to York Region Public Health.

Health care providers are encouraged to keep a small supply of flu vaccine to accommodate any clients seeking immunization between April and August. Flu vaccine can still be ordered from York Region Public Health, but may take seven to 10 business days to be delivered. To order flu vaccine, call 1-877-464-9675 ext. 74033 or email vaccineinventory@york.ca to discuss your needs.

Excess influenza vaccine should be returned to Public Health using the [Non-Reusable Vaccines Wastage Form for Health Care Providers](#). Flu vaccine that has not expired should be coded as "EQ – Excessive Quantity". Vaccines should be returned to the any of the following York Region offices where vaccines are picked up:

- 520 Cane Parkway, Newmarket
- 9060 Jane Street, Vaughan
- 50 High Tech Road, Richmond Hill
- 4261 Highway 7 East, Markham
- 24262 Woodbine Avenue, Keswick

All excess publicly funded flu vaccine should be returned to Public Health by May 31, 2018.

Please note that any influenza vaccine returned to Public Health is considered wasted and will not be reused. For this reason, it's not necessary to store returned vaccines in cold chain temperatures.

For ordering other vaccines, please use the current version of the Publicly Funded Vaccines Order Form. For more information on vaccine ordering or returns, visit york.ca/vaccineinventory or call **1-877-464-9675 ext. 74033**.

Attached, following this message:

- Non-Reusable Vaccines Wastage Form for Health Care Providers.
- Publicly Funded Vaccines Order Form

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