

SEATTLE VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

2019 INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATION PROGRAM – FAQ's

Which vaccines do you provide?

Seattle Visiting Nurse Association (SVNA) provides the standard **Quadrivalent (four strains) vaccine**. The nurses carry a small amount of **Thimerosal-Free (preservative free) vaccine** which we offer to pregnant women as required by WA State regulations. The nurse may accommodate a request by non-pregnant participants for the Thimerosal-Free vaccine if there are enough doses available at the time of the clinic. SVNA generally gives the standard Quadrivalent vaccine to all non-pregnant participants unless requested otherwise. If you wish for your participants to receive the Thimerosal-Free vaccine, please request it at least 10 days in advance of the clinic.

SVNA **does not offer** the high dose vaccine for those over 65 years old, flu mist (nasal spray), or pneumonia vaccine.

What are the payment options?

1. Bill insurance - SVNA can bill directly for nearly all major insurance plans except for Cigna and Provider One – a Medicaid Fee for Service Plan - unless the plan is tied to an Apple Health Plan. The insurance information will be provided by the participant on the Patient Consent Form. We recommend that the participant bring the insurance card to the clinic. **We must have the member ID number to bill insurances.**

2. Pay cash/check - If a participant is uninsured or if a plan is one we do not bill (Cigna or Provider One), the participant may pay in cash or by check at the time the vaccination is given. We do not take credit cards. The standard Quadrivalent is \$40 per shot and Thimerosal Free is \$42 per shot.

Can others outside of the FSD attend the flu shot clinic?

Yes. SVNA is licensed to provide flu shots to people four years old and older. If the invited people have a different insurance than the company plan, we will bill the insurance if it is one of the approved insurances (e.g. not Cigna or ProviderOne). We will bill Cigna only if there is an out-of network allowance by Cigna which needs to be confirmed by the employer in advance of the clinic.

Will you give children a flu shot?

SVNA is licensed to provide influenza vaccinations to people four years old and older. For children 17 years old and younger, the parent or legal guardian must print his/her name and sign the Patient Consent Form in the spaces indicated. The parent or legal guardian is not required to accompany the child if the Consent Form is signed.