

Seasonal Flu Vaccine vs. H1N1 Vaccine



1 What are Priority Groups?

Anyone can get the flu, but the flu can be more dangerous for some people. That's why certain people should be first in line (a priority) to get vaccinated against either seasonal flu or H1N1. Check to see whether you fall into one of these groups:



Seasonal Flu

- Pregnant Women
- Children from 6 months to 18 years
- People of any age with chronic medical conditions, like asthma or diabetes
- People living in nursing homes or other long-term care facilities
- People age 50 and older



H1N1 Flu

- Pregnant Women
- Children and young adults from 6 months to 24 years
- People aged 25-64 years with a chronic medical condition
- People caring for infants under 6 months old
- People who work in health care or emergency medical services

2 What if I'm in a priority group for one vaccine, but not the other?

Everyone over 6 months old can get the seasonal flu vaccine. Priority groups for seasonal flu vaccine are assigned to remind those individuals that they should get the seasonal flu vaccine every year to avoid complications.

If you are not in a priority group for H1N1 vaccine, it may be available to you later in the fall.

