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## **Re: Removal of expired Influenza batches and COVID-19 vaccine products**

Dear Pharmacist,

Community pharmacists continue to play a key role in the vaccination programmes for COVID-19 and Influenza. In preparation for the Autumn / Winter Campaign, a number of vaccine types and batches from previous seasons and campaigns will be removed from HSE PharmaVax and new products will be uploaded in preparation for the upcoming season. These are outlined in detail below - please take note of the cut off dates for any outstanding claims.

### **Removal of Influenza batches from 2022/23**

All influenza batches from the 2022/23 season will be removed from HSE PharmaVax effective from **1<sup>st</sup> September 2023**.

Any outstanding vaccine records and claims for the 2022/23 flu season must be entered by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2023** as it will not be possible to submit after this date.

### **Removal of COVID-19 vaccine types**

The following COVID-19 products are no longer in use and will be removed from HSE PharmaVax effective from **1<sup>st</sup> September 2023**. This will reduce the multiple choices currently available and support the process of choosing the correct vaccine type when entering vaccine records.

- Comirnaty COVID-19 Vaccine Pfizer-BioNTech
- Comirnaty RTU (Pfizer- BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine)
- Spikevax COVID -19 Vaccine Moderna
- Jcovden COVID-19 Vaccine Janssen
- Vaxzevria COVID-19 Vaccine AstraZeneca

Any outstanding vaccine records and claims relating to these products must be entered by **31<sup>st</sup> August 2023** as it will not be possible to submit after this date.



The following COVID-19 products are also no longer in use and will be removed from HSE PharmaVax effective from **1<sup>st</sup> November 2023**.

- Comirnaty RTU BA.1 (Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine)
- Spikevax BA.1 (Moderna COVID-19 Vaccine)

Any outstanding vaccine records and claims relating to these products must be entered by **31<sup>st</sup> October 2023** as it will not be possible to submit after this date.

Please find below some useful contact details if you have any queries:

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Clinical Queries - National Immunisation Office		<a href="mailto:immunisation@hse.ie">immunisation@hse.ie</a>
Data Quality Errors	01 240 8786	
Payment Queries/Claims	01 864 7100	<a href="mailto:PCRS.PPUQueries@hse.ie">PCRS.PPUQueries@hse.ie</a>
General queries & relationship management	081 800 8811	<a href="mailto:pharmacyvaccines@vision.com">pharmacyvaccines@vision.com</a>

We would once again like to thank you for all your assistance and cooperation as we plan for the Autumn/Winter Campaign and the co-administration of COVID-19 and Influenza Vaccinations.

Yours sincerely,

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