



### Ensure patients are protected from flu during this critical time

Help protect patients and California's medical infrastructure by ensuring your patients are vaccinated against flu. As COVID-19 is surging in our state, hospitals are near or at capacity in many communities. It is critically important that we prevent flu from circulating as well.

### Don't miss an opportunity to give a flu vaccination

Flu vaccine is available now. CDPH encourages health care providers to remind any unvaccinated patients to get a flu shot.

### The way you say it makes a difference

The most powerful predictor of patients getting vaccinated is a strong recommendation from their provider. You can say, *"I see Alexis hasn't had her flu shot yet this season. We'll get that taken care of during this visit so she can be protected from flu. I vaccinated my kids and I want to make sure all my patients are protected every year."* [See how Dr. Adebajo says it for her pediatric patients below.](#)



### Consider these additional resources to help with late season flu vaccination

- [FLU Action Plan: 3 Habits of Highly Successful VFC Clinics](#) (best practice strategies for clinic staff)
- [Tips for Speaking with Parents about Flu Vaccine: How to Address Common Concerns | Spanish](#)
- [Flu Vaccine Through Late Fall and Winter: It's Not Too Late](#) (CDC webinar for clinic staff)

- [It's Not Too Late to Vaccinate](#) (poster in English and Spanish)
- [Responses to Questions about Flu During COVID-19 Pandemic](#)