

## Vaccination Subsidy Schemes

2015/16

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### **Vaccination Subsidy Schemes**

- Childhood Influenza Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (CIVSS)
  - □ Seasonal influenza vaccination
- Elderly Vaccination Subsidy Scheme (EVSS)
  - □ Seasonal influenza vaccination
  - □ Pneumococcal vaccination





### **Recipient Eligibility - CIVSS**

- HK resident
- Between the age of 6 months and less than 6 years on the day receiving the 1<sup>st</sup> dose of flu vaccine

### □ OR

 6 years or above attending a pre-primary institution e.g. kindergarten, child care centre kindergarten cum child care centre

(prove by student handbook/student card/pick up card/stamped Pre-primary Institution Certification Form)





### **Recipient Eligibility - EVSS**

- Hong Kong Residents
- Aged 65 years old or above in the year of vaccination

(i.e. Birth year = 1950 or earlier during 2015)





### Seasonal Influenza Vaccine for 2015/16

- Both trivalent and quadrivalent inactivated influenza vaccines are continued to be recommended for use
- Recommended trivalent vaccine contains:
  - A/California/7/2009 (H1N1)pdm09-like virus;
  - A/Switzerland/9715293/2013 (H3N2)-like virus;
  - B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus.
- Recommended quadrivalent vaccine contains:
  - above three and B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus
- Trivalent vaccine could prevent the majority of influenza cases, however quadrivalent vaccine may provide additional protection against influenza B



### **Dosing of Seasonal influenza** vaccination

Age Group under CIVSS	Previous seasonal influenza vaccine dose	2015/16 Seasonal influenza vaccine dose required
6 months to < 6 years	0	2 doses (4 weeks apart)
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### Pneumococcal Vaccine for elders

- Ongoing since commencement in Oct 2009
- 23-valent pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine (23vPPV)
- Elders aged 65 years or above
  - □One dose is recommended *if never received*the vaccine before



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### VSS 2015/16

### Level of Government subsidy CIVSS

### Seasonal influenza vaccination

- \$160 (\$110 vaccine cost + \$50 injection cost)
- up to 2 doses if not vaccinated before

### **EVSS**

### Seasonal influenza vaccination

\$160 (\$110 vaccine cost + \$50 injection cost)

### Pneumococcal vaccination

\$190 (\$140 vaccine cost + \$50 injection cost)



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### **VSS\_Pricing**

- No restriction on doctor's pricing
- Require transparency in doctor's pricing
  - □ Publish in CHP website (www.chp.gov.hk)
  - □ Display price poster at clinic







### Common problems in subsidy claims



- Omission of checking for vaccination history and availability of subsidy (BEFORE vaccination / making claims)
- 2. Wrong entry of the identity document type
- Delay confirmation of claims by enrolled doctors (after entry by clinic staff)
- Late submission of claims (beyond 7 days of vaccination)



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### Points to note (1)

- Before providing vaccination:
  - ☐ Check identity document for eligibility
  - Check electronic vaccination records in eHealth System
  - ☐ Check vaccination card and vaccination history
  - □ Communicate with patient (Guardian on type of SI (TIV/QIV) provided
  - □ Check Consent to Use Vaccination Subsidy form is duly completed and signed
    - (For illiterate recipients: fingerprint recommended and witnessq signature with name and correspondence numbers)



### Points to note (2)

- At the time of vaccination:
  - □ Explain about the vaccinations (Information leaflet)
  - □ Read carefully the product information of the vaccine, noting especially the route of administration, dosage for children & adult and expiry date
  - □ Record on vaccination card and proper documentation after vaccination
  - □ Advise return for second dose as appropriate (CIVSS)





### Points to note (3)

- For submission of claims on eHS:
  - ☐ Submit claims immediately

[NOTE: claims have to be submitted within SEVEN DAYS after vaccination service (both days inclusive) for online processing for reimbursement ]

- ☐ Ensure vaccination is provided before submitting claims
- □ Keep proper vaccination record to facilitate processing and verification of claims



### Points to note (4a)



- Vaccination for non-clinic settings (Doctors' Guide)
- Preparation
  - □ Prime responsibility : ensure safe and quality delivery of vaccination to recipient

(CHECK especially route of administration, dosage and expiry date of vaccine)

- □ Safety and legal
  - Properly delegate medical duties to qualified persons
  - Ensure personnel properly trained and equipped to manage severe immediate reactions
  - Observe vaccinees for at least 15 min post-vaccination for immediate adverse event
- □ Maintain cold chain of vaccines during transport
- Choose suitable vaccination environment (e.g. fire safety and building safety)
- Inform Vaccination Office two weeks in advance of the vaccination activity



### Points to note (4b)



Vaccination for non-clinic settings (Doctors' Guide)

### Vaccination and claims

- Make service fee transparent before providing service
- Comply requirements for subsidy claims:
  - Check vaccination history and availability of subsidy in advance
  - Obtain Duly signed Consent to Use Vaccination Subsidy form
  - Provide vaccination to recipients
  - Keep proper vaccination record and issue vaccination card to recipients
  - Submit claims online for reimbursement after it is
    CONFIRMED that the clients have received vaccination
- Healthcare providers <u>coordinate with out-reaching</u> activity organisers for complying with the above

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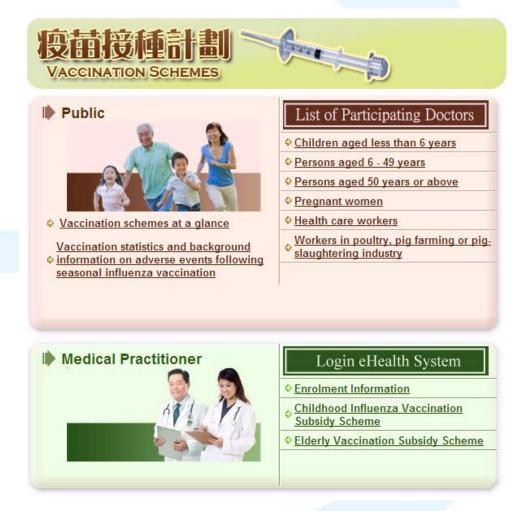
### VSS 2015/16

- Start date of seasonal influenza vaccination
  - □ Mid October 2015
- End date of seasonal influenza vaccination
  - □ Until Stocks of vaccines expire
- Pneumococcal vaccination (EVSS)
  - □ Ongoing





### For updated information



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