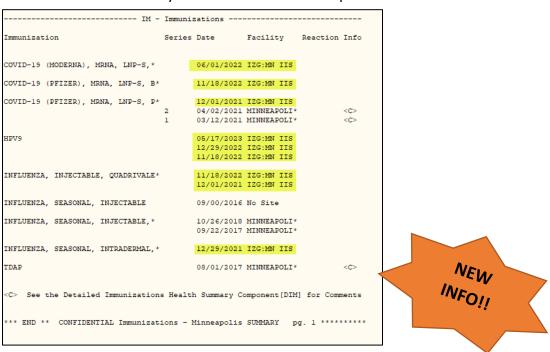
# 1. VERIFY Confirm Veteran's vaccine status

Three options to locate Influenza Immunization information:

- Outside the VA: MIIC Minnesota Immunization Information Connection
  - A collaboration between the VA and Minnesota Dept of Health
  - MIIC is queried 24 hours ahead of Veterans' scheduled appointments and the
     information is pushed directly into CPRS
  - The query will satisfy any Reminders
  - The patient appt is what generates the query, so if there is no appointment when the query is run, for example the patient is admitted or the appt is a same day appt, then no new MIIC information will present
  - Surrounding states, including Wisconsin, are anticipated to begin sharing information in the coming months

#### 1. Immunization History

Reports tab > Health Summary > Immunizations Minneapolis

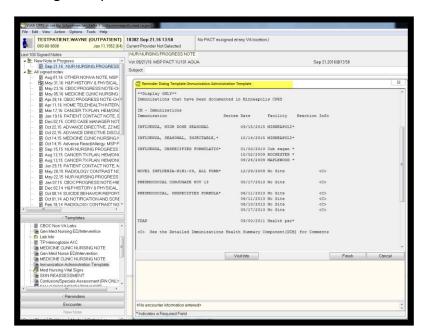


Immunizations pulled in from the MIIC database will show the location as IZG:MN IIS.

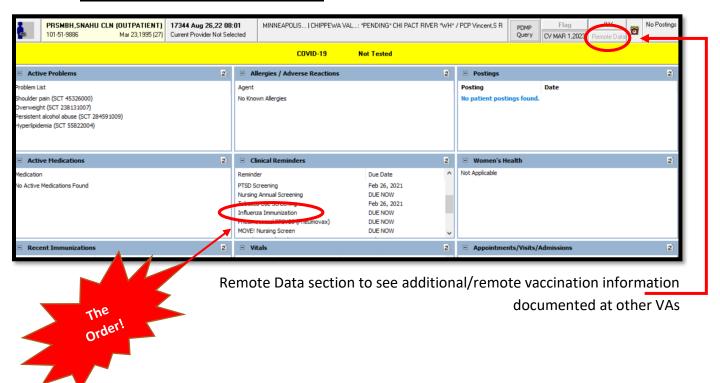


### 2. Immunization Template

Use any note title & the Immunization Administration Template (Located: Shared templates > Nursing > Outpatient > General > Immunization Administration Template)



3. Cover Sheet under Clinical Reminders



# 2. SCREEN

INFO!!

Per available stock and ACIP 2023-24 recommendations, the VA will provide two options of the **Sanofi Fluzone**:

High-dose Quadrivalent to adults aged ≥65 years

(A high dose includes 3-4 times as much flu virus antigen for an increased immune response)

OR

Quadrivalent – standard influenza vaccine recommended for adults ≤64 years

(There are currently no special considerations for immunocompromised ≤64 years)

- Immunocompromised persons ≤64 years are still recommended to receive their ageappropriate dose
- The standard quadrivalent dose is available to persons ≥65 years by request only
- Screen each patient per department process prior to giving vaccine
- Eggs and latex allergies are NOT considered contraindications to receiving the vaccine, the only contraindication to the flu vaccination is severe allergic reaction (ie. Anaphylactic reactions)

NEW INFO!!

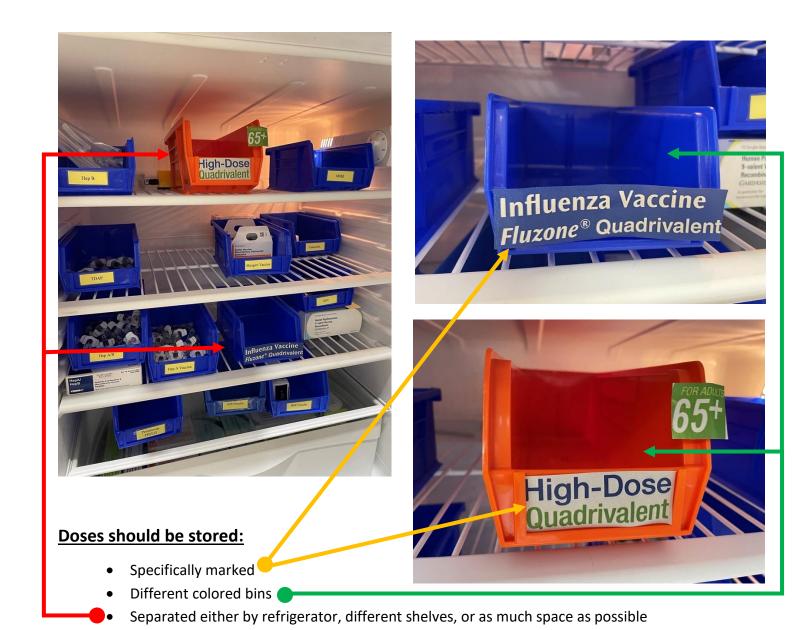
• Review link for community options to receive flu vaccines:
Flu Shots Near You - National Center for Health Promotion and Disease Prevention (va.gov)



## Supplies needed:

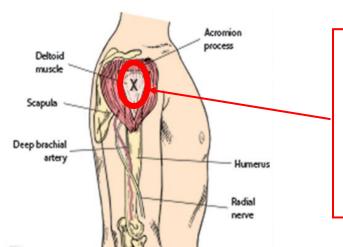
- Prefilled syringe in fridge
- Safety locking needle (22g-25g, 1-1½ inch)
- Alcohol prep
- Gloves/Face Shield (optional)
- Vaccine Information Sheet (VIS)
- Bandaid/cotton balls
- The High-Dose is a 0.7 ml dose and comes in packages of two
- The Standard dose is a 0.5 ml dose and comes packed in groups of five

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# 4. ADMINISTRATION

- Administer flu vaccine in deltoid muscle
- This muscle can be used for more than one IM injection including Covid-19 vaccine
- Separate injection sites by 1 inch or more, if possible.



- Administer vaccine to the patient's deltoid (locate the acromion process, which is the prominent part of the shoulder bone; then aim for administration at approximately 2-3 finger widths below)
- Administer at a 90- degree angle
- Do not aspirate

# 5. MONITOR

- Instruct patient to wait 15 minutes in clinic post immunization.
- Follow Anaphylactic Reaction guidelines from the Ambulatory Standing Orders for any suspected allergic reactions:

#### ANAPHYLACTIC REACTION TO VACCINES AND MEDICATIONS POLICY:

Anaphylactic Reaction to Vaccines and medications	Mild local reactions: Redness, Itching, Tenderness Localized edema at site  Systemic reactions including: Hives Dizziness Shortness of breath Tongue/throat/angioedema Nausea Weakness Hypotension Loss of Consciousness	Mild local symptoms:  Ice pack to localized area  Any Systemic Symptom reaction:  Call RRT/SMART: 1911 CBOCs call 911  Maintain airway  Administer Epinephrine (1:1000) 0.3ml IM injection.  Do not hesitate when systemic reaction is suspected! Epinephrine injection should be repeated every 5 minutes if needed until EMS arrives.  Document adverse reaction in CPRS.
		Complete Joint Patient Safety Reporting (JPSR)

Health care providers are required to report to Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting system
 (VAERS) any adverse events listed by the vaccine manufacturer as a contraindication to further
 doses listed: <a href="https://vaers.hhs.gov/">https://vaers.hhs.gov/</a>

# 6. DOCUMENT

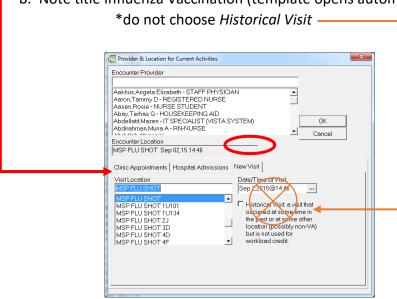
There are 3 ways to document the administration of the Influenza vaccine:

### 1) Provider/Nurse Schedule appointment:

- Choose current clinic appointment
- Use any note title & the Immunization Administration template (Shared templates >Nursing >Outpatient >General >Immunization Administration Template)

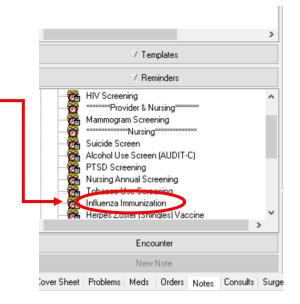
### 2) Flu shot only appointment:

- a. Choose new visit location-MSP or CBOC specific Flu Shot
- b. Note title Influenza Vaccination (template opens automatically),



## 3) Reminder drawer

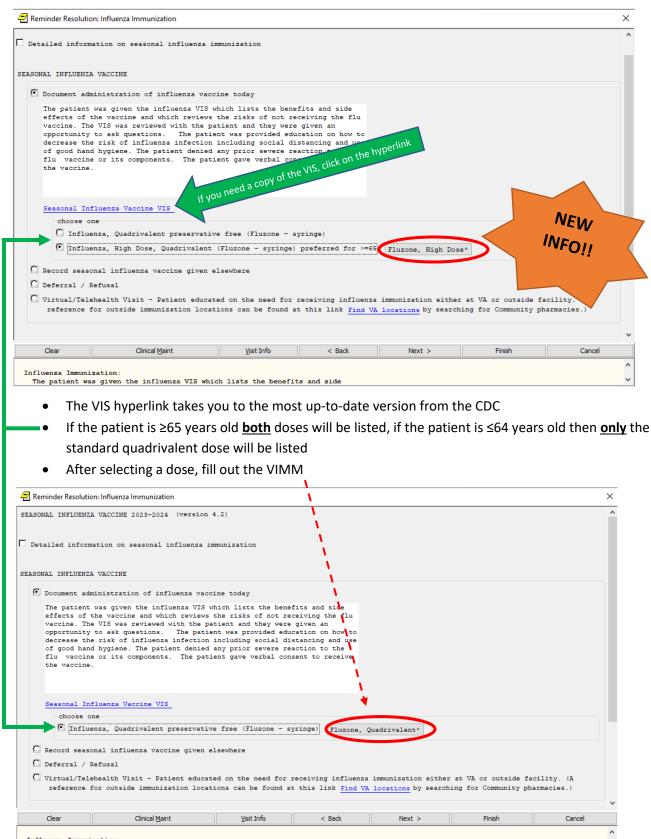
- a) After opening any clinic note, open the *Reminders* tab on the left
- b) Choose Influenza
  Immunization and it
  automatically opens the
  influenza immunization



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## 4. <u>Documenting in the Influenza Vaccine Template</u>

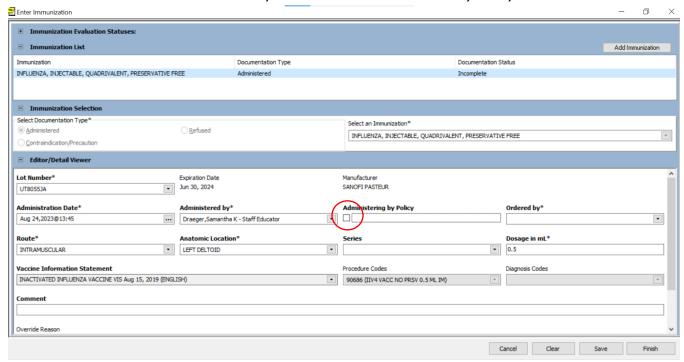
The patient was given the influenza VIS which lists the benefits

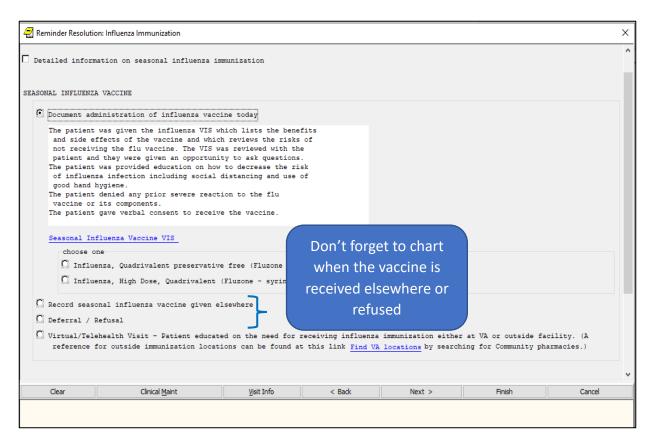


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#### The VIMM

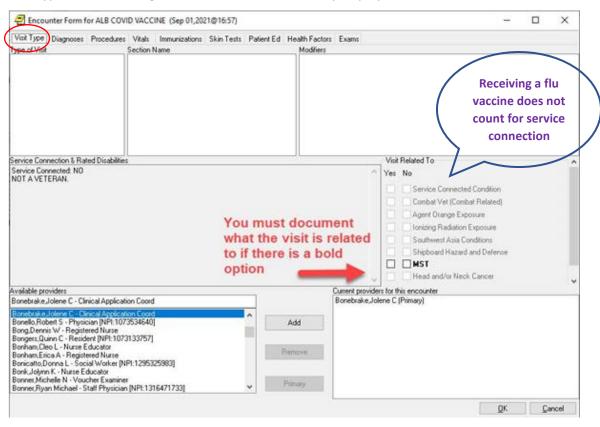
- Verify the correct vaccination, lot number, and expriation date (if there are any discrepancies, contact pharmacy)
- · Any asterisked fields are required
- You will need to manually check the box Administered by Policy to activate it





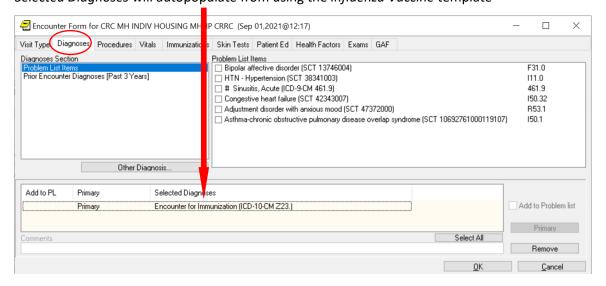
#### 5. Completing the Encounter

→ Visit Type - The following information will automatically display in the encounter



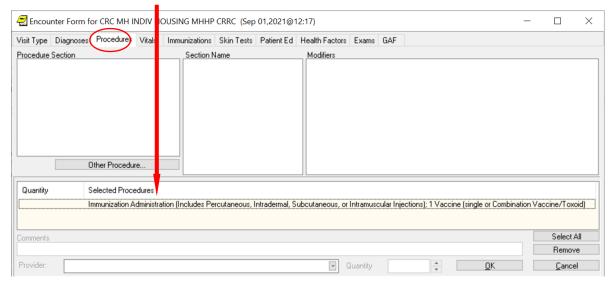
→ Diagnosis

Selected Diagnoses will autopopulate from using the Influenza Vaccine template



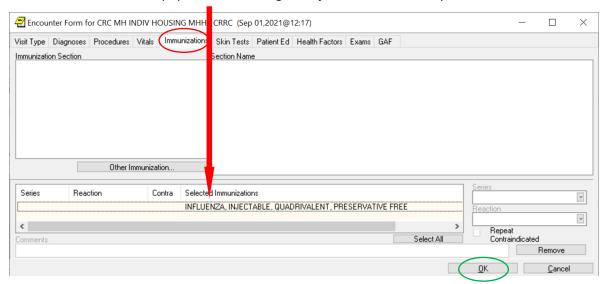
#### → Procedures

Procedures will autopopulate from using the Influenza Vaccine template



#### Immunizations

Immunizations will autopopulate from using the Influenza Vaccine template



When the Encounter is completed, click "ok", and sign.

If there are any further questions, please reach out to your manager.