

TABLE 2. Contraindications and precautions to the use of influenza vaccines — United States, 2016–17 influenza season*

Vaccine	Contraindications	Precautions
IIV	History of severe allergic reaction to any component of the vaccine [†] or after previous dose of any influenza vaccine	Moderate to severe illness with or without fever History of Guillain-Barré syndrome within 6 weeks of receipt of influenza vaccine
RIV	History of severe allergic reaction to any component of the vaccine	Moderate to severe illness with or without fever History of Guillain-Barré syndrome within 6 weeks of receipt of influenza vaccine
LAIV	For the 2016–17 season, ACIP recommends that LAIV not be used. Content below is provided for information.	
	History of severe allergic reaction to any component of the vaccine [†] or after a previous dose of any influenza vaccine	Moderate to severe illness with or without fever History of Guillain-Barré syndrome within 6 weeks of receipt of influenza vaccine
	Concomitant aspirin or salicylate-containing therapy in children and adolescents	Asthma in persons aged ≥5 years
	Children aged 2 through 4 years who have received a diagnosis of asthma or whose parents or caregivers report that a health care provider has told them during the preceding 12 months that their child had wheezing or asthma or whose medical record indicates a wheezing episode has occurred during the preceding 12 months	Other underlying medical conditions that might predispose to complications after wild-type influenza infection (e.g., chronic pulmonary, cardiovascular [except isolated hypertension], renal, hepatic, neurologic, hematologic, or metabolic disorders (including diabetes mellitus)
	Children and adults who have immunosuppression (including immunosuppression caused by medications or by HIV)	
	Close contacts and caregivers of severely immunosuppressed persons who require a protected environment	
	Pregnancy	
	Receipt of influenza antiviral medication within the previous 48 hours	

Abbreviations: ACIP = Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices; IIV = Inactivated Influenza Vaccine; LAIV = Live-Attenuated Influenza Vaccine; RIV = Recombinant Influenza Vaccine.

* Immunization providers should check Food and Drug Administration–approved prescribing information for 2016–17 influenza vaccines for the most complete and updated information, including (but not limited to) indications, contraindications, and precautions. Package inserts for US-licensed vaccines are available at <http://www.fda.gov/BiologicsBloodVaccines/Vaccines/ApprovedProducts/ucm093833.htm>.

[†] History of severe allergic reaction (e.g., anaphylaxis) to egg is a labeled contraindication to the use of IIV and LAIV. However, ACIP recommends that any licensed, recommended, and appropriate IIV or RIV may be administered to persons with egg allergy of any severity (see Influenza Vaccination of Persons with a History of Egg Allergy).