About flu shots and vaccines

Your medical plan provides you with many options to receive your seasonal flu shot or required immunizations. Whether you visit your doctor, get immunized at work or at your local health department, the flu shot is available to you at no cost.

If you are enrolled in the PPO or HSA plan, you have additional, convenient ways to get your flu shot and recommended immunizations. Always check with your doctor if you have questions about whether the flu shot or an immunization is right for you.

Medical ID card required
If you plan to get your flu shot or immunization at one of the facilities listed below, make sure you show your UnitedHealthcare medical plan ID card (not your Express Scripts ID card) before you get your immunization. If you do not show your medical ID card and you receive the flu shot or immunization, you may have to pay the full cost. Ask your pharmacist to check your UnitedHealthcare medical plan coverage before the immunization is administered. Check with your doctor for specific age or flu shot requirements.

Limited vaccines at 100% coverage
The medical plan will cover only those vaccines listed below under the plan’s 100% preventive care benefit when administered at a participating pharmacy. The Express Scripts prescription drug plan does not cover immunizations of any type administered at the retail pharmacy. You may want to first call the pharmacy to make sure the vaccine is available and covered by your plan. Not all locations may offer flu shots/immunizations, and some locations limit days/hours for vaccine administration.

CVS Pharmacy
Flu shot, Zostavax (shingles),* Tdap (whooping cough/tetanus), Meningitis, Hepatitis B, Pneumonia

Walmart/Sam’s Club
Flu shot, Zostavax (shingles),* Tdap (whooping cough/tetanus), Meningitis, Hepatitis B

*Check in advance to ensure availability. Due to drug storage requirements, the vaccine may not always be readily available.

Convenience Care Clinics
Convenience Care Clinics are typically located in retail stores and don’t require appointments. They provide a limited range of simple care services for the cost of a primary care physician (PCP) office visit copay. Services and treatments are offered to patients 18 months of age and older. Visit a Convenience Care Clinic for minor illnesses and injuries such as sore throat, earaches, coughs/congestion, minor cuts/rashes and urinary tract infections. MinuteClinic®, located at certain DFW area CVS Pharmacy locations, is the Convenience Care Clinic available in the North Texas area. You can also receive your flu shot or pneumonia vaccine at a MinuteClinic, but if you receive additional services at that visit, a copay or out-of-pocket cost may apply. Visit myuhc.com if you need to locate Convenience Care Clinic locations outside the North Texas area.

Safeway/Tom Thumb
Flu shot, Zostavax (shingles),* Tdap (whooping cough/tetanus), Meningitis, Hepatitis B, Pneumonia

Target Pharmacy
Flu shot, Zostavax (shingles)*