

To: All practices in SSLMCs Confederation

28<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Dear Colleagues

### Adjuvanted Trivalent Flu Vaccine – Orders for the 2018/19 Season

I am writing to remind all colleagues of the importance of appropriate vaccine ordering arrangements for the 2018/19 flu season. As noted in earlier LMC letters, NHS England has recommended all eligible patients >65 years old receive the adjuvanted trivalent vaccine [FLUAD], of which for this forthcoming season there is only one supplier, Seqirus.

It is obviously a matter for individual practices, based on their historic immunisation rates and cohort numbers, but the LMC has been passed the following current orders placed by practices within the LMC Confederation CCGs; based on the percentage of the numbers of >65 years old in each CCG:

#### West Sussex

Coastal West Sussex	18.23%
Crawley	38.31%
Horsham and Mid-Sussex	42.78%

#### East Sussex

Brighton and Hove	44.8%
Eastbourne, Hailsham & Seaford	52.17%
Hastings & Rother	35.16%
High Weald, Lewis & Havens	27.46%

#### Surrey

Surrey Downs	34.47%
Surrey Heath	36.48%
North West Surrey	40.66%
Guildford & Waverley	56.83%
East Surrey	59.13%

#### South West London

Croydon	21.35%
Richmond	40.22%
Kingston	46.54%

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In this instance, the LMC is relying on supplier figures; many practices have secured September delivery times, but more recently practices have been reporting October 2018 delivery estimates and having spoken to Seqirus the LMC is concerned that, again noting there is no alternative supplier, delivery times may slip further.

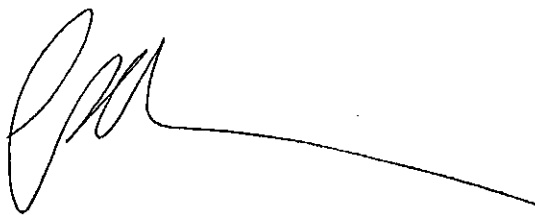
The LMC would thus encourage all practices to review their current vaccine orders and ensure these fit with their expected demand for vaccines. The contact details for Seqirus are: 01530 454288 and [flu.salesuk@seqirus.com](mailto:flu.salesuk@seqirus.com).

NHS England has confirmed that practices will be reimbursed for both vaccines [FLUAD and Quadrivalent, which is recommended for use for adults <65 years old] and practices should not incur fees for changed or cancelled orders, please contact the LMC if it is suggested this may happen.

I anticipate there will be further advice to follow regarding next year's season but hope this is a helpful reminder.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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