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Dear Stakeholder

On 2 November 2023, the Queensland Government announced the Queensland 2024 Free Flu Vaccination Program.

In keeping with the Queensland Government's commitment, no Queensland resident should be turned away, or charged for receiving their influenza vaccination. This letter confirms vaccination service providers will be reimbursed for administering their privately purchased influenza vaccines in 2024.

Information about the Queensland 2024 Free Flu Vaccination Program, including advice regarding claiming and reimbursement is now available via <u>2024 Free Flu Vaccination</u> Program | Queensland Health

I understand vaccination service providers are now receiving private market influenza vaccines and consumers can schedule vaccination appointments. I encourage providers to talk to consumers about the most appropriate vaccine for them.

Similar to previous years, the full range of National Immunisation Program (NIP) funded influenza vaccines for all eligible NIP cohorts will be available to all vaccination service providers in April 2024. The first tranche of NIP funded influenza vaccine, Fluad Quad for people aged 65 years and older, will be distributed to providers commencing from the week of 11 March 2024. All other influenza vaccines in the NIP range, can be ordered from the Queensland Health Immunisation Program from 2 April 2024. Fluad Quad replenishment stock can also be ordered from 2 April 2024.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for protecting Queenslanders against influenza and other vaccine-preventable diseases. On behalf of the Queensland Health Immunisation Program, we look forward to working with you in 2024 to improve the uptake of influenza vaccination across Queensland and we thank you for your support of this very important public health initiative.

If you require any further information in relation to this matter, please contact Scott Brown, Director, Immunisation Unit, Department of Health, via email at immunisation@health.qld.gov.au.

Yours sincerely

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