

VACCINE POINTS

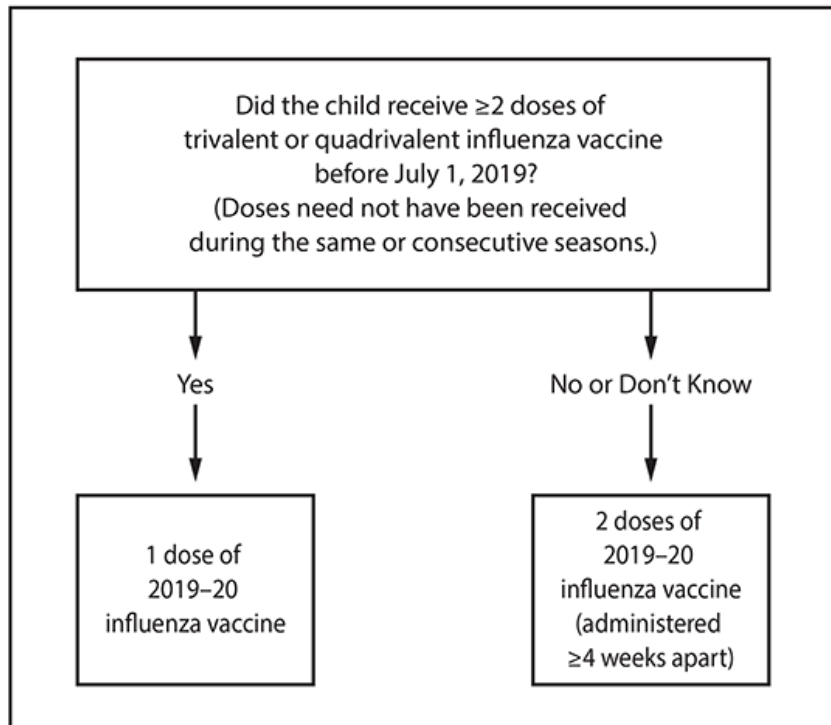
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Influenza Vaccine Dosing Algorithm for Children Aged 6 Months through 8 Years

Children aged 6 months through 8 years require 2 doses of influenza vaccine administered a minimum of 4 weeks apart during their first season of vaccination for optimal protection. The number of doses needed is based on:

- 1) The child’s age at the time of the first dose of 2019-20 influenza vaccine; and
- 2) The number of doses of influenza vaccine received in previous influenza seasons.

Algorithm:



For children aged 8 years who require 2 doses of vaccine, both doses should be administered even if the child turns age 9 years between receipt of dose 1 and dose 2.

Vaccine recipients should always receive the dose appropriate for their age at the time of the clinic visit.

