



ADR

Tip of the Month

Contraindications to influenza vaccine?

- Egg allergy is **NOT a contraindication** to the use of inactivated vaccines (IIV); however, the influenza vaccine, like all vaccines, should be given in a setting where anaphylaxis can be managed.
- The live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV) is **not recommended** for individuals with an egg allergy at this time, because it has not been evaluated in this population.
- LAIV (but not IIV) is **contraindicated** in individuals with immune-compromising conditions, those on treatment for severe asthma, and children and youth two to 17 years of age receiving chronic acetylsalicylic acid-containing therapy because of the association of Reye's syndrome.
- An anaphylactic reaction to a previous dose of influenza vaccine or onset of Guillain-Barré syndrome within six weeks of influenza vaccination are **contraindications** to further doses.

For the complete list of contraindications, visit:
www.cps.ca/en/documents/position/influenza-vaccine-recommendations

***Please report all suspected
adverse drug reactions (ADRs).***