

Pre-ordering vaccines in Alberta Vaccine Booking System

Primary and Preventative Health Services (formerly Alberta Health) is introducing a new vaccine pre-order initiative, allowing Albertans to pre-order influenza and COVID-19 vaccines beginning August 11, 2025.

Starting August 11, eligible Albertans will be able to indicate their intent to receive influenza and COVID-19 vaccines by submitting a pre-order through the Alberta Vaccine Booking System (AVBS). After submitting a pre-order, individuals will receive a reminder notification by text message or email prompting them to book their immunization appointment in early October. When booking their appointment for the 2025-26 fall/winter season, they'll also have the opportunity to pre-order vaccines for the 2026-27 season.

The vaccine pre-order process is designed to support provincial vaccine procurement planning and reduce wastage. Albertans don't need to pre-order a vaccine in order to book an appointment later. Immunization appointments can be made once booking opens to all Albertans.

Please note that pre-ordering a vaccine does not guarantee a dose, as vaccine administration will be based on eligibility criteria.

Additionally, the current ordering processes for pharmacies for provincially funded vaccines remain unchanged and are not affected by the pre-order tool.

To support this initiative, a QR code is included with this Benefact for pharmacies to display. The QR code links directly to the AVBS pre-order site. An online version of this Benefact will also be available on the Alberta Blue Cross website, where pharmacies can download, print and post the QR code. <https://www.ab.bluecross.ca/pdfs/pharmacy-benefacts/pharmacy-benefact-1270.pdf>.

Pharmacies are encouraged to display the QR code starting August 11, 2025, and remove it by December 15, 2025, when the pre-order period ends. Future pre-order campaigns will align with the annual fall/winter immunization season.

For assistance with benefit or claim inquiries, please contact an Alberta Blue Cross Pharmacy Services Provider Relations contact centre representative at

780-498-8370 (Edmonton and area)

403-294-4041 (Calgary and area)

1-800-361-9632 (toll free)

FAX 780-498-8406 (Edmonton and area)

FAX 1-877-305-9911 (toll free)

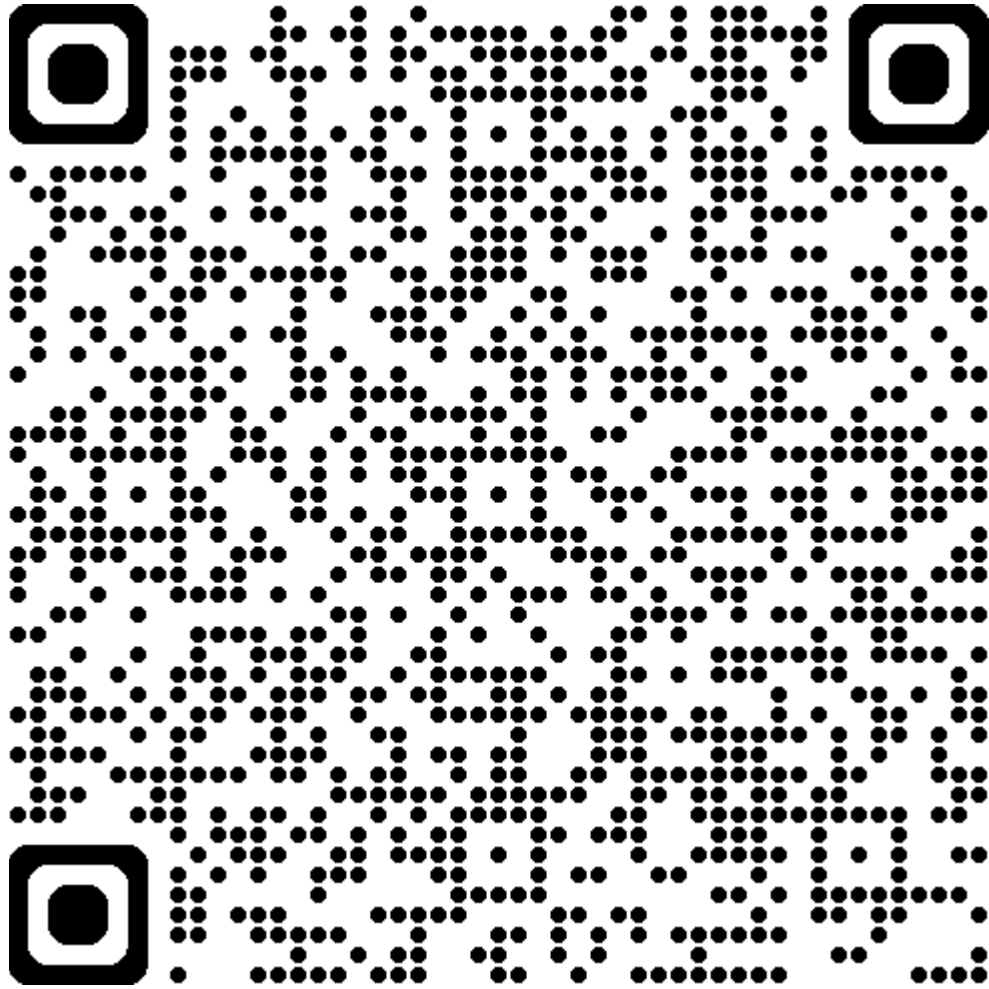
Alberta Blue Cross offers online access to current Pharmacy Benefacts and supplemental claiming information to assist with the submission of your direct-bill drug claims.

Visit ab.bluecross.ca/providers/pharmacy-home.php



Pre-Order Your Vaccines Online Today!

Scan the QR code below with your smartphone to pre-order your COVID-19 and influenza vaccines through the Alberta Vaccine Booking System.



Please note: Pre-ordering of vaccines does not create an immunization appointment. You will receive a reminder to schedule your immunization appointment when booking begins.