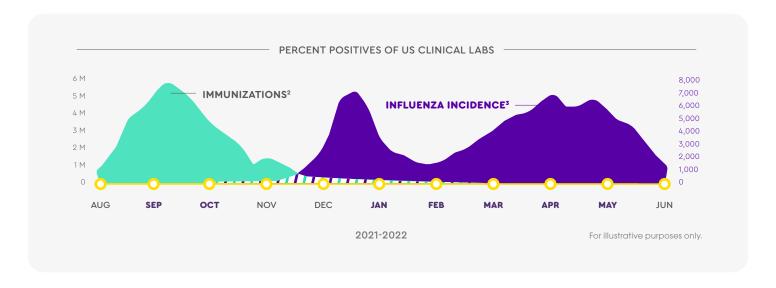
## IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO VACCINATE AGAINST THE FLU

Flu season can last through spring, so help protect your patients.

As shown in the graph below, influenza activity increased late in the 2021–2022 season. While a majority of flu vaccinations are given by the end of October, CDC continues to recommend flu vaccination as long as flu viruses are circulating and you still have unexpired flu vaccines.<sup>1</sup>



You can help reduce influenza infections by continuing vaccination efforts throughout the entire flu season.



ACIP guidelines
recommend
completing influenza
vaccinations by the
end of October<sup>1</sup>



ACIP also recommends vaccinating patients after **October 31** to continue providing protection during peak flu season<sup>1</sup>



Flu season usually peaks between January and February<sup>1</sup>



But your
community may not
see influenza activity
until March or
even later<sup>1</sup>

ACIP RECOMMENDS FLU VACCINATION EFFORTS CONTINUE AFTER OCTOBER 31
FOR ALL ELIGIBLE UNVACCINATED PATIENTS!

## MORE OF YOUR PATIENTS WERE AT RISK OF FLU-RELATED COMPLICATIONS

Because ~9.1 million fewer flu vaccines were given to adults 18+ than the previous year<sup>4,a</sup>

<sup>a</sup>Data as of April 1, 2022. These are CDC estimates and are subject to change.<sup>4</sup>



In the 2021-2022 flu season<sup>4,b</sup>:

: ~7.2 million : ~1.9 million fewer<sup>c</sup> adults 18+ • fewer<sup>c</sup> adults 18+ were vaccinated : were vaccinated : in pharmacies : in medical clinics

<sup>b</sup>Data as of April 1, 2022. These are CDC estimates and are subject to change. <sup>4</sup> <sup>c</sup>When compared with the previous year. <sup>4</sup>

According to the CDC, between October 1, 2021, and June 11, 2022, there were up to<sup>6,d</sup>:

• 13 million flu cases • 170,000 hospitalizations

• 6.1 million medical visits • 14,000 deaths

Data as of June 17, 2022. These are CDC estimates and are subject to change.

## As we enter the 2022-2023 flu season, remember

- A vaccine from the previous flu season may not protect a patient through the upcoming flu season<sup>1</sup>
- Your community may experience flu activity later than others1
- Patients who have had the flu this year can still benefit from a vaccine, as it can help protect against multiple strains<sup>1</sup>

## **HELP PROTECT PATIENTS** THROUGHOUT THE ENTIRE FLU SEASON



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