



Fluzone<sup>®</sup> High-Dose Quadrivalent is standardized according to United States Public Health Service requirements and is formulated to contain HA of each of the following four influenza strains recommended for the 2020-2021 influenza season: A/Guangdong-Maonan/SWL1536/2019 (H1N1), A/Hong Kong/2671/2019 (H3N2), B/Phuket/3073/2013 (B Yamagata lineage), and B/Washington/02/2019 (B Victoria lineage). The amounts of HA and other ingredients per dose of vaccine are listed in Table 2.

Table 2: Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent Ingredients

Ingredient	Quantity (per dose)
	Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent 0.7 mL Dose
Active Substance: Split influenza virus, inactivated strains <sup>a</sup> :	240 mcg HA total
A (H1N1)	60 mcg HA
A (H3N2)	60 mcg HA
B (Victoria Lineage)	60 mcg HA
B (Yamagata Lineage)	60 mcg HA
Other:	
Sodium phosphate-buffered isotonic sodium chloride solution	QS <sup>b</sup> to appropriate volume
Formaldehyde	≤140 mcg
Octylphenol ethoxylate	≤350 mcg
Gelatin	None
Preservative	None

<sup>a</sup> per United States Public Health Service (USPHS) requirement  
<sup>b</sup> Quantity sufficient

## 12 CLINICAL PHARMACOLOGY

### 12.1 Mechanism of Action

Influenza illness and its complications may follow influenza infection. Global surveillance of influenza viruses identifies yearly antigenic variants. Since 1977, antigenic variants of influenza A (H1N1 and H3N2) viruses and influenza B viruses have been in global circulation. Specific levels of hemagglutination inhibition (HI) antibody titer post-vaccination with inactivated influenza virus vaccines have not been correlated with protection from influenza virus infection. In some human studies, antibody titers ≥1:40 have been associated with protection from influenza illness in up to 50% of participants. (See references 3 and 4.)

Antibodies against one influenza virus type or subtype confer limited or no protection against another. Furthermore, antibodies to one antigenic variant of influenza virus might not protect against a new antigenic variant of the same type or subtype. Frequent development of antigenic variants through antigenic drift is the virologic basis for seasonal epidemics and the reason for the usual change of one or more new strains in each year's influenza vaccine. Therefore, influenza vaccines are standardized to contain the hemagglutinins of influenza virus strains representing the influenza viruses likely to be circulating in the U.S. during the influenza season.

Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent stimulates the immune system to produce antibodies that help prevent influenza disease.

## 13 NONCLINICAL TOXICOLOGY

### Carcinogenesis, Mutagenesis, Impairment of Fertility

Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent has not been evaluated for carcinogenic or mutagenic potential or for impairment of fertility.

## 14 CLINICAL STUDIES

### 14.1 Immunogenicity of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent in Adults 65 Years of Age and Older

Study 1 (NCT03282240, see <http://clinicaltrials.gov>) was a randomized, active-controlled, modified double-blind trial in adults 65 years of age and older conducted in the US. The study compared the safety and immunogenicity of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent to those of Fluzone High-Dose. The objective was to demonstrate immunologic non-inferiority of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent to Fluzone High-Dose, as assessed by HAI geometric mean antibody titers (GMTs) at Day 28 and seroconversion rates, to strains common to formulations of both vaccines, based on pre-specified criteria. A total of 2670 adults from 65 years of age were randomized (4:1:1) to receive one dose of either Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent or one of two formulations of Fluzone

High-Dose (one formulation contained a B strain of the Victoria lineage [TIV-HD1] while the other contained a B strain of the Yamagata lineage [TIV-HD2]).

Females accounted for 58.2% of participants in the Fluzone<sup>®</sup> High-Dose Quadrivalent group and 57.4% of participants in the Fluzone High-Dose group (TIV-HD1 and TIV-HD2, pooled). The mean age was 72.9 years (range: 65 through 100 years) in the Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent group and the mean age was 73.0 (range: 65 through 95 years) in the Fluzone High-Dose group. The percentage of subjects 75 years of age or older was 35.4% in the Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent group and 35.8% in the Fluzone High-Dose group. Most participants were White (91.2% and 89.7%), followed by Black (6.8% and 8.0%), and Hispanic (2.8% and 2.6%) in the Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent and Fluzone High-Dose groups, respectively.

The immunogenicity results of Study 1 are summarized in Table 3 and Table 4 below.

Table 3: Study 1<sup>a</sup>: Post-vaccination HAI Antibody GMTs and Analyses of Non-inferiority of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent Relative to Fluzone High-Dose, Adults 65 Years of Age and Older, Per-Protocol Analysis Set

Influenza Strain	GMT			GMT Ratio	Met Predefined Non-inferiority Criteria <sup>e</sup>
	QIV-HD N <sup>b</sup> =1679-1680	TIV-HD1 <sup>c</sup> (B1 Victoria) N <sup>b</sup> =423	TIV-HD2 <sup>d</sup> (B2 Yamagata) N <sup>b</sup> =430	QIV-HD over TIV-HD (95% CI)	
A (H1N1) <sup>f</sup>	312	374		0.83 (0.744; 0.932)	Yes
A (H3N2) <sup>f</sup>	563	594		0.95 (0.842; 1.066)	Yes
B1 (Victoria)	516	476	--	1.08 (0.958; 1.224)	Yes
B2 (Yamagata)	578	--	580	1.00 (0.881; 1.129)	Yes

<sup>a</sup> NCT03282240  
<sup>b</sup> N is the number of vaccinated participants with available data for the immunologic endpoint listed  
<sup>c</sup> TIV-HD1 contained A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1), A/Hong Kong/4801/2014 (H3N2), and B/Brisbane/60/2008 (B1, Victoria lineage)  
<sup>d</sup> TIV-HD2 contained A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1), A/Hong Kong/4801/2014 (H3N2), and B/Phuket/3073/2013 (B2, Yamagata lineage)  
<sup>e</sup> Predefined noninferiority criterion for the GMT ratio: the lower limit of the 95% CI of the GMT ratio (QIV-HD divided by TIV-HD) is >0.667  
<sup>f</sup> Pooled TIV-HD group includes subjects vaccinated with either TIV-HD1 or TIV-HD2 for the A strain comparison

Table 4: Study 1<sup>a</sup>: Seroconversion Rates and Analyses of Non-inferiority of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent Relative to Fluzone High-Dose, Adults 65 Years of Age and Older, Per-Protocol Analysis Set

Influenza Strain	Seroconversion Rates (Percentage) <sup>b</sup>			Difference of Sero-conversion Rates	Met Predefined Non-inferiority Criteria <sup>f</sup>
	QIV-HD N <sup>c</sup> =1668-1669	TIV-HD1 <sup>d</sup> (B1 Victoria) N <sup>c</sup> =420-421	TIV-HD2 <sup>e</sup> (B2 Yamagata) N <sup>c</sup> =428	QIV-HD minus TIV-HD (95% CI)	
A (H1N1) <sup>g</sup>	50.4	53.7		-3.27 (-7.37; 0.86)	Yes
A (H3N2) <sup>g</sup>	49.8	50.5		-0.71 (-4.83; 3.42)	Yes
B1 (Victoria)	36.5	39.0	--	-2.41 (-7.66; 2.70)	Yes
B2 (Yamagata)	46.6	--	48.4	-1.75 (-7.04; 3.53)	Yes

These are not all of the possible side effects of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine. You can ask your healthcare provider for a list of other side effects that is available to healthcare professionals. Call your healthcare provider for advice about any side effects that concern you. You may report side effects to the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS) at 1-800-822-7967 or <https://vaers.hhs.gov>.

<sup>a</sup> NCT03282240  
<sup>b</sup> Seroconversion Rates: For subjects with a pre-vaccination titer <10 (1/dil), proportion of subjects with a post-vaccination titer ≥40 (1/dil) and for subjects with a pre-vaccination titer ≥10 (1/dil), proportion of subjects with a ≥ four-fold increase from pre-vaccination to post-vaccination titer  
<sup>c</sup> N is the number of vaccinated participants with available data for the immunologic endpoint listed  
<sup>d</sup> TIV-HD1 contained A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1), A/Hong Kong/4801/2014 (H3N2), and B/Brisbane/60/2008 (B1, Victoria lineage)  
<sup>e</sup> TIV-HD2 contained A/Michigan/45/2015 (H1N1), A/Hong Kong/4801/2014 (H3N2), and B/Phuket/3073/2013 (B2, Yamagata lineage)  
<sup>f</sup> Predefined noninferiority criterion for seroconversion: the lower limit of the two-sided 95% CI of the difference of the seroconversion rates (QIV-HD minus TIV-HD) is > 10%  
<sup>g</sup> Pooled TIV-HD group includes subjects vaccinated with either TIV-HD1 or TIV-HD2 for the A strain comparison

Fluzone<sup>®</sup> High-Dose Quadrivalent was as immunogenic as Fluzone High-Dose for GMTs and seroconversion rates for the common influenza strains. Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent induced a superior immune response, based on a pre-specified superiority criterion, with respect to the additional B strain than the immune response induced by Fluzone High-Dose formulation that did not contain the additional B strain.

### 14.2 Efficacy of Fluzone High-Dose in Adults 65 Years of Age and Older

The efficacy of Fluzone High-Dose (trivalent formulation) is relevant to Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent since both vaccines are manufactured according to the same process and have overlapping compositions.

Study 2 (NCT01427309) was a multi-center, double-blind, post-licensure efficacy trial conducted in the U.S. and Canada in which adults 65 years of age and older were randomized (1:1) to receive either Fluzone High-Dose or Fluzone. The study was conducted over two influenza seasons (2011-2012 and 2012-2013); 53% of participants enrolled in the first year of the study were re-enrolled and re-randomized in the second year. The per-protocol analysis set for efficacy assessments included 15,892 Fluzone High-Dose recipients and 15,911 Fluzone recipients. The majority (67%) of participants in the per-protocol analysis set for efficacy had one or more high-risk chronic comorbid conditions.

In the per-protocol analysis set, females accounted for 57.2% of participants in the Fluzone High-Dose group and 56.1% of participants in the Fluzone group. In both groups, the median age was 72.2 years (range 65 through 100 years). Overall, most participants in the study were White (95%); approximately 4% of study participants were Black, and approximately 6% reported Hispanic ethnicity.

The primary endpoint of the study was the occurrence of laboratory-confirmed influenza (as determined by culture or polymerase chain reaction) caused by any influenza viral type/subtype in association with influenza-like illness (ILI), defined as the occurrence of at least one of the following respiratory symptoms: sore throat, cough, sputum production, wheezing, or difficulty breathing; concurrent with at least one of the following systemic signs or symptoms: temperature >99.0°F, chills, tiredness, headaches or myalgia. Participants were monitored for the occurrence of a respiratory illness by both active and passive surveillance, starting 2 weeks post-vaccination for approximately 7 months. After an episode of respiratory illness, nasopharyngeal swab samples were collected for analysis; attack rates and vaccine efficacy were calculated (see Table 5).

Table 5: Study 2<sup>a</sup>: Relative Efficacy Against Laboratory-Confirmed Influenza<sup>b</sup> Regardless of Similarity to the Vaccine Components, Associated with Influenza-Like Illness<sup>c</sup>, Adults 65 Years of Age and Older

	Fluzone High-Dose N <sup>d</sup> =15,892 n <sup>e</sup> (%)	Fluzone N <sup>d</sup> =15,911 n <sup>e</sup> (%)	Relative Efficacy % (95% CI)
Any type/subtype <sup>f</sup>	227 (1.43)	300 (1.89)	24.2 (9.7; 36.5) <sup>g</sup>
Influenza A	190 (1.20)	249 (1.56)	23.6 (7.4; 37.1)
A (H1N1)	8 (0.05)	9 (0.06)	11.0 (-159.9; 70.1)
A (H3N2)	171 (1.08)	222 (1.40)	22.9 (5.4; 37.2)
Influenza B <sup>h</sup>	37 (0.23)	51 (0.32)	27.4 (-13.1; 53.8)

<sup>a</sup> NCT01427309  
<sup>b</sup> Laboratory-confirmed: culture or polymerase-chain-reaction-confirmed  
<sup>c</sup> Occurrence of at least one of the following respiratory symptoms: sore throat, cough, sputum production, wheezing, or difficulty breathing; concurrent with at least one of the following systemic signs or symptoms: temperature >99.0°F, chills, tiredness, headaches or myalgia  
<sup>d</sup> N is the number of vaccinated participants in the per-protocol analysis set for efficacy assessments  
<sup>e</sup> n is the number of participants with protocol-defined influenza-like illness with laboratory confirmation  
<sup>f</sup> Primary endpoint  
<sup>g</sup> The prespecified statistical superiority criterion for the primary endpoint (lower limit of the 2-sided 95% CI of the vaccine efficacy of Fluzone High-Dose relative to Fluzone >9.1%) was met.  
<sup>h</sup> In the first year of the study the influenza B component of the vaccine and the majority of influenza B cases were of the Victoria lineage; in the second year the influenza B component of the vaccine and the majority of influenza B cases were of the Yamagata lineage

### Why should I get Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine instead of a standard-dose quadrivalent influenza vaccine?

Among persons 65 years of age and older, Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent generated a similar immune response to Fluzone High-Dose and is expected to provide better protection against influenza compared to standard-dose quadrivalent influenza vaccines.

### What are the ingredients in Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine?

Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine contains 4 killed flu virus strains.

A secondary endpoint of the study was the occurrence of culture-confirmed influenza caused by viral types/subtypes antigenically similar to those contained in the respective annual vaccine formulations in association with a modified CDC-defined ILI, defined as the occurrence of a temperature >99.0°F (>37.2°C) with cough or sore throat. The efficacy of Fluzone<sup>®</sup> High-Dose relative to Fluzone for this endpoint was 51.1% (95% CI: 16.8; 72.0).

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## 16 HOW SUPPLIED/STORAGE AND HANDLING

### 16.1 How Supplied

Single-dose, prefilled syringe, without needle, 0.7 mL (NDC 49281-120-88) (not made with natural rubber latex). Supplied as package of 10 (NDC 49281-120-65).

### 16.2 Storage and Handling

Store Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent refrigerated at 2° to 8°C (35° to 46°F). DO NOT FREEZE. Discard if vaccine has been frozen.

Do not use after the expiration date shown on the label.

## 17 PATIENT COUNSELING INFORMATION

See FDA-approved patient labeling (Patient Information).

- Inform the patient or caregiver that Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent contains killed viruses and cannot cause influenza.
- Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent stimulates the immune system to produce antibodies that help protect against influenza.
- Instruct that annual influenza vaccination is recommended.
- Instruct vaccine recipients and caregivers to report adverse reactions to their healthcare provider and/or to Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS).
- Give the Vaccine Information Statements to recipients or caregivers, which are required by the National Childhood Vaccine Injury Act of 1986 prior to each immunization. These materials are available free of charge at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) website ([www.cdc.gov/vaccines](http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines)).

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There is no live flu virus in Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent. Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent cannot cause the flu.

Inactive ingredients include formaldehyde and octylphenol ethoxylate.

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### What are the possible side effects of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine?

The most common side effects of Fluzone High-Dose Quadrivalent vaccine are:

- pain, redness, and swelling where you got the shot
- muscle ache
- tiredness
- headache