National Influenza Vaccination Week

Most Americans who seek influenza vaccination do so in September, October and November – demand for vaccination drops severely after the Thanksgiving holiday.

A substantial amount of vaccine will still be available in December and later.

To address this challenge (and opportunity) during the 2006-07 season, CDC and HHS launched the inaugural National Influenza Vaccination Week (NIVW).
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• The purpose of NIVW is to highlight the importance of influenza vaccination at a time of the season when demand for vaccine drops

• NIVW messages emphasize the importance of continuing vaccination into December and later, and that the flu season most often peaks in February and can last as late as May.

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• CDC’s NIVW campaign activities have included:
  – press events and media interviews;
  – television, radio, and limited print ad placement;
  – partner and provider communications; and
  – utilization of the Web and other new-media strategies.

• A number of national, state, and local partners also help promote NIVW.
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- NIVW featured select days the importance of childhood, senior, and healthcare influenza vaccination.
- These featured days generated interest in these groups receiving influenza vaccination.
- Held December 8 to 14, 2008
National Influenza Vaccination Week (NIVW) 2009

• Scheduled for December 6 to 12, 2009
  – Children’s Vaccination Day
    • Tuesday, December 8, 2009
  – Healthcare Worker Vaccination Day
    • Thursday, December 10, 2009
  – Senior Vaccination Day
    • Friday, December 11, 2009

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• Campaign activities will continue into January 2009 (and perhaps later, depending on disease circulation and vaccine supply)

• Additional Recognition Days ?
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Increased Regional Events
Targeted Audiences
Reinforcing Influenza Vaccination Messages