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From: Brawn, Kristin
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To: Broome, Anna
Subject: Flu Vaccines

Hi Anna,

You asked me to find out about the cost of flu vaccines at pharmacies. I contacted all of the major pharmacies in the Augusta area (Rite Aid, CVS, Walgreen's, Hannaford, Shaw's (Osco), Walmart and Target) and here is what I found out:

Pharmacies are offering three types of flu vaccines: trivalent, quadrivalent and high dose. Below are the explanations of each according to the CDC website.

Trivalent – The “standard” flu vaccine. Protects against three types of influenza viruses: two influenza A viruses (H1N1 and H3N2) and an influenza B virus.

Quadrivalent – Protects against four types of influenza viruses: two influenza A viruses (H1N1 and H3N2) and two types of influenza B viruses.

High Dose – For individuals 65 years of age and over. Same as trivalent vaccine but contains 4 times the dose of antigen as the standard vaccine.

The price of the flu vaccine for an uninsured adult at each pharmacy are as follows:

Rite Aid

Trivalent - \$31.99
Quadrivalent - \$39.99
High Dose - \$66.99

CVS

Trivalent - \$31.99
Quadrivalent - \$36.99
High Dose - \$54.99

Walgreen's

Trivalent - \$31.99
Quadrivalent - \$39.99
High Dose - \$59.99

Hannaford

Trivalent - \$25.00
Quadrivalent - \$32.99
High Dose - \$59.99

Shaw's (Osco)

Trivalent - \$29.99
Quadrivalent - \$38.99
High Dose - \$64.99

From Vanessa:

Barger PCHC:

- Trivalent or Quadrivalent
\$30 - Do not stock high
dose - not recommended
over the trivalent.

- Offer additional discounts to those
who qualify for PCHC affordable
care program (40% discount) →
\$18.

DFD Russell Medical Center
(Morrison, Leeds, Turner)

- Quadrivalent - \$41

Washington Co CHC

- Flu shot for adult is \$35

Walmart

Trivalent - \$25.00

Quadrivalent - \$30.00

High Dose - \$48.00

Target

Quadrivalent - \$31.99

High Dose - \$49.99

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