



POLICY PAN-11: Pandemic Influenza Vaccination – Medical Directive for Residents and/or Staff

Infection Control

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Policy

Voluntary Immunization at Norview Lodge to any Residents and/or staff requesting the Pandemic Influenza vaccine. Immunization to service providers or volunteers will be based on directives as obtained from the Ministry of Health.

Procedure

1. Written consent must be obtained.
2. Under Aseptic technique inject 0.5 ml of Influenza Vaccine Intramuscular (Post 1/3 of deltoid is the area of least discomfort)
3. Medical observation for 10-15 minutes.
4. Consent will serve as documentation for receiving Influenza vaccine. This is kept on file in the Influenza file with Infection Control Resident Care Coordinator and/or designate.

Proposed Standing Order for: Treatment for Anaphylactic Shock

1. Call 911.
2. Place Resident/ Staff in recumbent position with lower limbs elevated.
3. Place tourniquet (when possible) above vaccination site, releasing for 1 minute every 3 minutes.
4. Administer 0.01 mg/kg (maximum 0.5ml) of epinephrine 1:1000 s.c. or i.m. in opposite limb. Does can be repeated twice at 20 minute intervals, or at shorter intervals if severe reaction.
5. If vaccine inject s.c., an additional dose of 0.006 mg/kg (maximum 0.2 ml) of epinephrine can be administered in vaccination site. Contraindicated for i.m. vaccination sites.
6. Establish an oral airway if necessary.
7. Nurse to record vital signs and give information to ambulance personnel.

Note: Algorithm based on H-N Health Unit Recommendations

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