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## **New Flu Vaccination Regulations do not Apply to LTC Facilities**

ABSTRACT: DOH clarifies that new flu vaccine regulations do not apply to LTC facilities.

Regulations that were emergency adopted earlier this month will require certain employees and volunteers of home care agencies, hospices and diagnostic and treatment centers to receive influenza vaccinations. However, DOH has clarified that these new regulations do not apply to nursing homes (including adult day health care programs), adult homes or enriched housing programs. These LTC facilities are already governed by the provisions of Public Health Law Article 21-A, which require employees and residents to be vaccinated for influenza and pneumococcal disease, but allow these individuals to refuse the vaccines for medical, religious or other reasons. For more information on the recently adopted emergency regulations, please see [NYAHS Doc. ID #n00003699](#).

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