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SUBJECT: Similarity between Moderna/Spikevax™ Infant and Moderna/Spikevax™ Bivalent packaging

Dear vaccine administration partners,

We are highlighting the similarities in packaging of the Moderna Spikevax™ Infant and the Moderna Spikevax™ Bivalent vaccines.

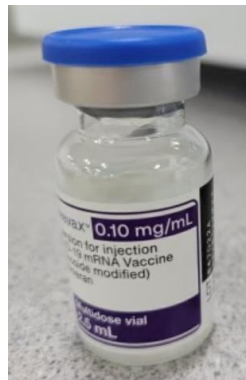
Moderna Spikevax™ Infant

Presentation

Royal blue cap

Purple label border

2.5mL vial volume



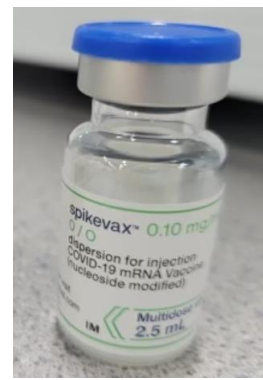
Moderna Spikevax™ Bivalent

Presentation

Royal blue cap

Green label border

2.5mL vial volume

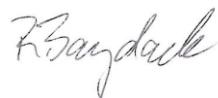


Due to the potential for errors in vaccine administration, providers are reminded to read the label on the vial closely to ensure they are providing the correct vaccine. Please note that the Moderna products do not include age indications on their labels/cartons. The key features to differentiate between these two products are the label colors and use of the word “Omicron” on the bivalent packaging. It is also recommended that on-site risk mitigation strategies be implemented to reduce the risk for vaccine administration errors, such as:

- Physical separation of the vaccines (i.e. different shelves/storage bins where possible).
- Attaching a color-coded sticker on the vial and/or pre-filled syringes for easy differentiation.
- Separate immunization stations/immunization providers for different vaccine products, where applicable.

Please see updated Storage and Handling Quick Reference located online at <https://www.gov.mb.ca/covid19/vaccine/healthcare-professionals.html> for further information on the various COVID-19 products and their storage limitations once thawed and punctured.

Thank you.



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