Perceptions on Influenza, Pneumococcal Disease, and COVID-19

NFID survey conducted among US adults uncovered insights about knowledge, attitudes, and behaviors related to influenza, pneumococcal disease, and COVID-19.

Top reasons for being unsure or not planning to get a flu vaccine

- Worry about getting sick (47%)
- Need to discuss with healthcare provider (44%)
- Feel they are at low risk of getting the flu (40%)
- Concerns about side effects (38%)
- Concerns about the flu vaccine being experimental (36%)

FLU AND COVID-19

- 37% of adults say they are very or extremely worried about COVID-19
- 19% are very or extremely worried about influenza
- 36% are more likely to worry about being infected with both COVID-19 and influenza at the same time

FLU PREVENTION BEHAVIORS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

- 54% of US adults report they will wear a mask indoors during the flu season
- 21% will wear a mask outdoors
- Women (60%) are more likely than men (48%) to report wearing a mask during flu season

PNEUMOCOCCAL DISEASE

- 32% of adults are unsure or do not plan to get vaccinated against pneumococcal disease
- 84% of adults trust healthcare professionals a great deal/a lot for flu vaccine information, far more than other sources

For more information about the NFID survey, visit www.nfid.org/2021flusurvey