Before the flu-or for the very first symptoms

Oscillococcinum®

For prevention of flu or at first sign of getting sick.

Influenzinum

For prevention of flu.

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At the first sign of a flu with *sudden* onset with no clear symptoms, i.e., within the first few hours. At the first or second sign of a flu (i.e., after the first few hours) with no clear symptoms yet.

FLU REMEDIES

Remedy	Onset	Fever	Pain	Cough/Coryza Head/eyes	Thirst	< Worse for	> Better for	Miscellaneous
Arsenicum		Chilly		Profuse, acrid discharge from eyes and nose	<i>Thirsty for</i> <i>sips</i> frequently	Cold	<i>Warmth</i> except the headache	Irritable and anxious <i>Great</i> prostration
Baptisia	Sudden	<i>High fever</i> with prostration with profuse sweat	<i>Sore/bruised</i> feeling or all in bits, <i>scattered</i>	Face is <i>dull/red</i>	Intense thirst			With <i>gastric</i> symptoms i.e. vomiting/diarrhea <i>Stuporous</i>
Bryonia	Slow	Very hot & dry	Aches all over	Painful <i>cough</i> (causes headache)	<i>Large</i> quantities infrequent (for cold)	<i>Least</i> movement	Pressure	With chest symptoms Wants to be still & left alone
Eupatorium perfoliatum		Shivering/ chills of back	Severe pains in limbs and back. Bones feel <i>broken</i>	<i>Bursting</i> Headache Eyeballs are sore	<i>Thirst</i> for cold drinks	<i>Least</i> movement		
Gelsemium (No. 1 flu remedy)	Slow	Heat alternating with chills. Shivers/chills run up & down spine No sweat	<i>Aches</i> all over Muscles <i>ache</i> <i>Heavy</i> and <i>weak</i>	Sneezing <i>Dull</i> headache Eyes/head <i>heavy</i> Double vision	Thirstless		Urinating (headache) Open air Sweating	Apathetic, drowsy, "benumbed" Limbs tremble Stiffness of cervical region
Mercurius solubilis		Creeping chilliness		Thick, acrid, smelly, yellow/ green discharges Nose is swollen, shiny and sore Cold ascends to eyes	Intense thirst Constant hunger	Heat and cold, i.e., extremes of temperature	Moderate temperatures Rest	With sore throat Salivation, bad taste in mouth & bad breath <i>Restless</i>
Nux vomica		Chilly with shivering (esp. after drinking)	Limbs and back <i>ache</i>	Nose stopped up at night	<i>Thirst</i> for hot drinks	<i>Least</i> movement <i>Cold</i>	Warmth	With gastric symptoms Extremely irritable
Pyrogen		Creeping chills & thumping heart Rapid pulse & low temp or vice versa. Chills in back/limbs	Severe pains in back and limbs. Feels <i>beaten</i> and <i>bruised</i> all over (bed feels hard)	<i>Bursting</i> headache	Thirstless			Intensely <i>restless</i> with the pains & the <i>chills</i>
Rhus toxicodendron		Chilly	Aches and pains in joints/bones	Tip of tongue is red (triangle)	Thirsty	Keeping still Motion	Gentle motion Warmth	<i>Restless</i> & confused Fear of being poisoned
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China More of a physical weakness after a flu with a lot of sweating (and possible dehydration). *Kali phosphoricum* Mildly depressed after a flu. *Gelsemium* Weakness after a flu with heaviness that won't go away.

Influenzinum

Feels that he or she has never recovered from the flu—has never been well since.