

Saginaw County Department of Public Health Announces H1N1 Vaccine Clinics

The following Public H1N1 Vaccination Clinics have been scheduled for the month of November.

FRIDAY NOVEMBER 6, 2009 SPORTS ZONE	10 am - 2 pm	FREELAND
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2009	11 am - 3 pm	BIRCH RUN EXPO
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2009 SCHOOL	4 pm - 8pm	ST. CHARLES HIGH
MONDAY NOVEMBER 23, 2009 EVENT CENTER	2 pm - 6pm	THE DOW

Please note that these clinics are subject to change based on vaccine availability. Due to these special clinics, the regular Immunization clinics held at the Main Health Department for these dates have been cancelled.

Due to the current availability of vaccine, the Saginaw County Department of Public Health will administer the H1N1 vaccine to the broader set of high risk groups identified by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) guidelines, on a first come, first serve basis:

- pregnant women,
- persons who live with or provide care for infants less than 6 months of age (e.g. parents, siblings, and day care providers),
- health-care and emergency medical services personnel,
- children aged 6 months - **24** years, and
- persons aged **25 - 64** years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications.

At this time, it is expected that NasalFlu Mist vaccine will be administered at these clinics unless specific illnesses or conditions prevent its use. The injections will only be given to those who cannot take the flu mist nasal spray.

Persons wishing to get the vaccine for themselves or their children should bring proof of identification (i.e. drivers license). Persons are also strongly encouraged to bring insurance cards with them to clinics, if available.

This situation is changing rapidly. Please continue to check this site frequently for updated information and H1N1 vaccination clinics. You may also check with your healthcare provider for H1N1 vaccine availability and information.

We thank the public for their patience and understanding as SCDPH embarks on this massive effort to address the H1N1 virus and keep our community healthy.

Once vaccination efforts for all the target groups are being met, vaccine may become available to:

- Persons 65 years of age and older.

Unlike the seasonal flu virus, adults older than 64 do not appear to be at increased risk of H1N1 (Swine) flu-related complications. However, any person over 65 who becomes ill with flu-like symptoms should contact his or her physician right away to determine whether treatment is needed.



Websites

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu

Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH): www.michigan.gov/flu

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS): www.flu.gov/

Contact Information for H1N1

General Public Information Line: (989) 758-3828

United Way 24/7 Public Information Line: 1 (800) 552-1183

Communicable Disease office: (989) 758-3887

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