

Fact Sheet for H1N1

School Based Clinics

Starting November 2009, the Douglas County Health Department, in partnership with the Visiting Nurse's Association will offer the H1N1 flu vaccine free of charge to all Douglas County school aged children.

Administration of the vaccine will take place over the next two to three months at school based immunization clinics located throughout the Metro- Omaha Douglas County area. For those unable to attend the clinic offered at your school you can go on the Douglas County web site to look for other community clinics, which may work with your schedule.

Target Group identified to receive the vaccine:

CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has recommended that certain groups of the population receive the 2009 H1N1 vaccine when it first becomes available. **These target groups include:**

- 1) Pregnant women,
- 2) People who live with or care for children younger than 6 months of age, Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel,
- 3) Persons between the ages of 6 months and 24 years old
- 4) People ages of 25 through 64 years of age who are at higher risk for 2009 H1N1 because of chronic health disorders or compromised immune systems.
 - o Chronic lung disease [such as [asthma](#) or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD)]
 - o Blood disorders (including Sickle cell disease)
 - o cancer
 - o [Diabetes](#)
 - o [Heart disease](#)
 - o Kidney disorders
 - o Liver disorders
 - o Neurological disorders (such as epilepsy, cerebral palsy, brain or spinal cord injuries, moderate to profound intellectual disability [mental retardation] or developmental delay)
 - o Neuromuscular disorders (such as muscular dystrophy and multiple sclerosis)
 - o Weakened immune systems (such as people with [HIV or AIDS](#) or who are on medications that weaken the immune system)

Vaccine available at the School Vaccination Clinics:

Live attenuated vaccine (nasal spray) Flu Mist:

- ❑ Healthy individuals are eligible for this vaccine delivery.
- ❑ Vaccine contains the live virus.
- ❑ Pregnant women and individuals with Asthma are not eligible to receive this delivery method.
- ❑ Individuals who received the seasonal Influenza Flu Mist less than a month ago cannot receive the H1N1 flu mist.

Injectable inactivated vaccine (flu shot):

- ❑ Can be administered to individuals who have received the flu mist for seasonal flu, within the month.
- ❑ This vaccine is available for individuals who are pregnant or possibly pregnant. Individuals with asthma or an autoimmune disease are able to receive this vaccine.
- ❑ This vaccine contains a dead virus.

Consent Form and other Vaccine information

You may download from the DCHD website or receive your child's school (either electronically or as hard copy):

1. An H1N1 consent form,
2. Vaccine information sheets,
3. A parent letter, which provides specific information on the location of your child's immunization clinic along with dates and times.

****Consent forms must be signed by a parent or legal guardian prior to receiving vaccine.**

Target Population to be vaccinated at the School Sites:

All Students

High School Students at the school from 9AM to 12Noon

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High School Staff who meet the CDC Target Group criteria from 9AM to 12NOON

***High School Students and Staff meeting the H1N1 vaccine target group will be the only individuals receiving the vaccine during the school day.**

Elementary and Middle School Students, from the High School attendance area, will be vaccinated from 4:30 to 8:30PM.

Elementary and Middle School Students need to be accompanied by their parent or guardian

Second Vaccination for Children under 10 years of age

Individuals who are 9 years of age and younger, will return for a follow up vaccination at least 28days after the first vaccination. The date and time of this vaccination site will be announced when available.

Requirements to be vaccinated

High School Students are required to provide a signed parent permission slip and complete a vaccine questionnaire.

Vaccine Cost

There is no charge for this vaccine

Resources:

**Douglas County Health Department H1N1 Information Line at
444-3400**

<http://www.douglascountyhealth.com>

<http://www.ops.org>