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Dear Parent,

H1N1 flu vaccine has started arriving in Douglas County. You may want to be in touch with your physician about receiving flu vaccine. Starting November, 2009, the Douglas County Health Department (DCHD), in partnership with the Visiting Nurse's Association, will offer the H1N1 flu vaccine free of charge to all Douglas County school age 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.

These immunization clinics will:

- Be offered free of charge
Be available for those interested in receiving the vaccine (the vaccine is not mandatory)
Offer both the inactivated vaccine (flu shot) and live, attenuated vaccine (nasal spray)
Be available for family members of the school aged child who meet specific guidelines described below
Take place at several public and private/parochial schools

For those unable to attend the school-based immunization clinics, a number of other community options will be available throughout the coming months. You may go to the DCHD website for more information on this: http://www.douglascountyhealth.com In addition announcements will be made by the newspapers, TV, and other media.

You may download from the DCHD website or receive from your child's school (either electronically or as hard copy): (1) an H1N1 consent form, (2) vaccine information sheets, and (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.

In addition, family members will be able to receive the vaccine free of charge at the school based clinics or other community options that will be developed later, if they are a pregnant woman, live with or care for children younger than 6 months of age, are healthcare and emergency medical services personnel, are between the ages of 6 months and 24 years, or are ages 25-64 and have chronic health disorders or compromised immune systems.

Thank-you for considering this important preventive health measure. We look forward to partnering with the Douglas County Schools and serving the Omaha community. If you have any questions, please feel free to call us at 402-444-3400.

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