

# Cook County Department of Public Health

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## Cook County Department of Public Health Continues H1N1 Vaccination Efforts

*Walk-in Saturday clinics still operating in suburban Cook County*

Officials remind residents about upcoming Ambulatory and Community Health Network (ACHN) H1N1 vaccination clinics on December 5<sup>th</sup> and December 12<sup>th</sup>.

“Getting vaccinated is the best way to protect you and your family from being infected with H1N1 influenza,” said CCDPH chief operating officer, Stephen A. Martin, Jr., Ph.D., M.P.H. “Our enhanced surveillance data shows the hospitalization rate in African Americans and Hispanics is more than twice the rate compared to whites. It is imperative that African American and Hispanic communities recognize how important it is to be vaccinated if they are in the priority group.”

Vaccine is being administered to residents of suburban Cook County who fall within the priority groups identified by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) including all pregnant women, caretakers and household contacts of children under 6 months of age, healthcare and emergency medical services employees, individuals 6 months to 24 years of age, and individuals 25 to 64 years of age with underlying medical conditions, such as asthma or diabetes, that put them at high risk for flu-related complications.

Starting at 7am at each location, 400 tickets will be handed out on a first come, first served basis. Based on the time listed on their ticket, residents will be asked to return to the clinic to receive a vaccination at a designated time between 8am and 2pm that same day.

**Clinic Dates:** December 5<sup>th</sup> December 12<sup>th</sup>

### Clinic Locations:

Cicero Health Center of Cook County: 5912 W. Cermak Rd, Cicero  
Cottage Grove Health Center of Cook County: 1645 Cottage Grove, Ford Heights  
Robbins Health Center of Cook County: 13450 S. Kedzie Ave., Robbins  
Vista Health Center of Cook County: 1585 N. Rand Road, Palatine

CCDPH continues to provide vaccine in regional appointment clinics and at schools and licensed daycares in suburban Cook County.

For more information about CCDPH vaccination efforts, please visit [www.cookcountypublichealth.org](http://www.cookcountypublichealth.org).

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