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Cook County Health & Hospitals System

(formerly Cook County Bureau of Health Services)

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Cook County Department of Public Health receives additional shipment of H1N1 vaccine.

Appointment-only vaccination sites in suburban Cook County scheduled to open November 2.

Starting November 2, 2009, Cook County Department of Public Health (CCDPH) will open regional appointment-only vaccination sites in suburban Cook County. Shipment of the vaccine has been slower than anticipated; as more vaccine is received additional vaccination clinics will be opening.

Effectively immediately, and until further notice, residents may call 708-836-8600 or one of the CCDPH District Offices listed below to make an appointment at one of our vaccination sites. CCDPH staff will schedule the appointment time and location for residents.

Cook County Department of Public Health Offices:

| North District | West District | Southwest District | South District |
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| 847-818-2860 | 708-786-4000 | 708-974-6160 | 708-210-4500 |
| TDD 847-818-2023 | TDD: 708-786-4002 | TDD: 708-974-6043 | TDD: 708-210-4010 |

Priority groups identified by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to receive the initial doses of vaccine include 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.

“All residents who fall in the priority groups to receive H1N1 vaccine are strongly urged to do so. Vaccination is the most effective way to protect you and your family from the flu virus,” said CCDPH chief operating officer, Stephen A. Martin, Jr., Ph.D., M.P.H.

CCDPH officials continue to work closely with schools in suburban Cook County to offer school-based clinics to their respective students. Tentative dates have been scheduled for all schools in suburban Cook County. In addition, vaccinations will be offered at licensed daycare facilities in suburban Cook County and CCDPH officials will loan vaccine to sub specialty pediatric and obstetric practices.

Residents should contact the Cook County Department of Public Health for updated information:

- Visit our website at www.cookcountypublichealth.org
- Email BeAware@ccdph.net
- Call the CCDPH flu Hotline at 708-492-2828

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