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City Holds First H1N1 Public Vaccination Clinic for Residents in an Identified Priority Group

Clinic free of charge. Those not in a priority group will not receive vaccine

The Municipality of Anchorage Department of Health and Human Services will administer H1N1 vaccine to Anchorage residents at a public vaccination clinic this Saturday from 10am-4pm at the University of Alaska Anchorage Student Union (2921 Spirit Way). The clinic will be limited to only those who are in a high risk priority group.

Due to limited supply, vaccine will be available only to residents who fall into one or more of the following priority groups:

- Children and young adults ages 6 months to 24 years
- Pregnant women
- Caregivers and household contacts of children under 6 months
- Individuals ages 25-64 who have underlying health conditions that put them at higher risk for complications from the flu*
- Healthcare and Emergency Medical Service personnel

“With the limited vaccine supply that is coming into the state, we really are focusing our efforts on those individuals who are proven to be at a higher risk for serious complications from influenza,” said Diane Ingle, Director of the Anchorage Department of Health and Human Services. “Residents who are not in a priority group will be able get vaccine once our supply increases, but they will not receive it this Saturday”.

The clinic will be operated on a walk in basis, first come first served; the clinic will close once the vaccine supply on hand is exhausted. Attendees need to bring ID and be prepared to discuss their immunization history. Attendees will not need a prescription from their healthcare provider to receive vaccine but will need to verify their status within one or more of the vaccine priority groups. Parents should bring their child’s immunization records if possible. If there is a high turnout, there is the potential that attendees will need to wait in line. These are not medical clinics, if you are experiencing flu-like symptoms please wait to attend a clinic when you are symptom free for at least 24 hours.

For up-to-date information on vaccination clinics and the H1N1 flu, please call the MOA Flu Hotline at 343-2525, or visit the H1N1 webpage at HHS.muni.org

* Asthma, neurological and neurodevelopmental conditions, chronic lung disease, heart disease, blood disorders, endocrine disorders, kidney disorders, liver disorders, metabolic disorders or those with a weakened immune system due to disease or medication. (Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention)



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