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NEWS RELEASE

Flu Shot Clinics Announced

It is recommended that those at high risk of severe influenza complications get their flu shot starting in October.

High-risk priority groups to receive flu shots include people age 65 and older, residents of long-term care facilities, people ages 2 years to 64 years with chronic health conditions, children ages 6 months to 23 months, pregnant women, health-care workers who provide direct patient care, and household contacts and out-of-home caregivers of children less than 6 months old.

People who are not in the priority groups are encouraged to wait until November to get the flu vaccine. Flu season typically runs from October through March, and vaccinations can be given at any time during this period.

Influenza, or flu, is a viral respiratory illness marked by a sudden onset of fever, headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose and muscle aches. The illness is spread when an infected person coughs, sneezes or talks, sending the highly contagious virus into the air.

The flu shot takes about two weeks to become effective.

Thursday, Oct. 27 8:30 – 12:00 noon (for High-Risk Patients)
 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. (for High-Risk Patients)

Friday, Oct. 28 9:00 – 12 noon (for High-Risk Patients)
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. (for High-Risk Patients)

Thursday, Nov. 3 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. (for High-Risk Patients)
 1:30 – 4:00 p.m. (for High-Risk Patients)

Friday, Nov. 4 9:00 – 12:00 noon (for High-Risk Patients)
 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. (for High-Risk Patients)

Thursday, Nov.10 8:30– 11:00 a.m.
 1:30 – 4:00 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 17 8:30 – 11:30 a.m.
 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

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