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Shelby County Health Department

Press Release

For immediate Release

On Saturday 21st November 2009 the Shelby County Health Department Vaccination Planning Group will again coordinate H1N1 vaccination clinics at five Shelby County School sites. These clinics are only for children from 6 months to 12th grade.

These clinics will be held at Morristown High School, Waldron High School, Southwestern Elementary School, Triton High School and Shelbyville High School. If your child is not in a school daycare center or is home schooled and is in the age / grade range for this clinic, you can bring your child to the school clinic in your area for vaccination.

All clinics are scheduled for 8:00AM to 10:00AM. Clinics will stay open until all children are treated or we have exhausted our vaccine supply.

Parents who have previously signed vaccination consent forms for their children can pick them up at their school site and get their child vaccinated. The consent forms signed by parents of children at the Shelbyville Central Schools ; Coulston, Loper, Hendricks, and the St. Joseph School can pick up their consent forms at the Shelbyville High School clinic site.

Parents who have not previously signed consent forms can pick up a vaccine Information sheet and vaccination consent form at the clinic at their school, sign it and have their child vaccinated. Only a parent or legal guardian can sign the vaccination consent form. The legal guardian must provide documentation of their ability to sign consent for the child.

Children under ten years old will require a second dose sometime after 28 days after the first dose was received. Parents of those children should call their doctor or the health department to receive a second dose. Right now our limited supply is being used to do first vaccinations.

Parents should bring their child's vaccination record if they have one.

All children will be vaccinated with the injectable vaccine unless the parent requests the nasal vaccine.

To receive the nasal vaccine a parent or legal guardian must accompany the child, read the Vaccine Information Sheet for the nasal vaccine and sign a consent form for the nasal vaccine.

No parents or school staff will be vaccinated. The only exception is for pregnant women who wish to be vaccinated.

Children with severe colds or who have a temperature of 100 degrees cannot be vaccinated.

Vaccination of the other CDC target groups will follow as vaccine deliveries allow.

Visit the SCHED website at www.sched.net for current information about Shelby County H1N1 Clinics and the current status of the H1N1 Pandemic or to print a consent form.