

## Oakland County Health Division

### 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccine Distribution Plan

Oakland County Health Division (OCHD) is working to ensure there will be many options for county residents to receive the 2009 H1N1 vaccine at a convenient location.

The Oakland County Health Division encourages individuals identified in the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) target population to consider receiving the 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine. The target population includes:

- Pregnant Women
- Children and young adults 6 months through 24 years
- Caregivers for children under 6 months of age
- Adults 25 through 64 years with underlying medical conditions
- Healthcare workers and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) service workers

The OCHD Plan for the 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine provides our residents many opportunities to receive their vaccine from the many participating healthcare providers or the Health Division outreach/clinic locations.

#### **Distribution Plan Partnerships**

1. Hospitals - the Health Division is working with Oakland County hospitals for distribution of the 2009 H1N1 vaccine. Hospitals will:

- Administer vaccine to healthcare staff and hospitalized patients, when appropriate
- Distribute vaccine through hospital pharmacies to satellite offices of affiliated healthcare providers who will administer vaccine to patients

**Note: Public should not expect to receive H1N1 vaccine directly from hospitals. Please contact your health care provider or the Oakland County Health Division for vaccine.**

2. Independent Healthcare Providers – the Health Division is working with healthcare providers, especially those that serve target populations, to administer H1N1 vaccine to their patients. These providers include:

- Pediatricians
- Obstetrics/Gynecologist
- Family Practice Doctors
- Specialties that serve target populations

3. Oakland County Health Division - will also be offering the H1N1 vaccine

- Expanding the Health Divisions successful Mass Vaccination Clinics that have been conducted over the past 5 years
  - Two centrally located clinics
    - One north (Clarkston) 9 am – 5 pm
    - One south (Farmington Hills) 9 am – 5 pm
- 14 school located mass vaccination clinics to be provided:
  - After school hours or
  - On Saturdays

- Decision to hold clinics after school hours or on Saturday is based on:
  - data provided by parent surveys conducted in Oakland County
  - National data
    - All data indicated school located vaccination clinics are most successful when they are conducted after school hours or on weekends so that parents can be with children and there is no danger of losing consent forms
    - Least disruptive to schools

### **Kick-Off Event Clinics**

- OCHD clinics kick-off event was held Saturday, October 24, 2009
  - Oakland Community College, Orchard Ridge, Farmington Hills, 9 am – 5 pm
  - Clarkston Junior High, 9 am – 5 pm

### **School Population Based Clinics**

- Largest school districts with over 10,000 student population (dates To Be Determined [TBD] based on vaccine availability):
  - Walled Lake – TBD
  - Rochester – TBD
  - Southfield – TBD
  - Birmingham – TBD
  - Waterford – TBD
  - Troy – TBD
  - Pontiac – TBD
  - Huron Valley – TBD

Note: Farmington School District was selected for kick-off event based on location and student population (over 10,000)

### **Location Based Clinics**

- One clinic in each quadrant to provide additional access for the four corner regions (dates To Be Determined [TBD] based on vaccine availability):
  - Royal Oak - TBD
  - Novi – TBD
  - Lake Orion – TBD
  - Holly – TBD

### **In-House Clinic**

Once we have completed these school based outreach clinics we will begin daily H1N1 vaccinations in the Health Division's, North Oakland Health Center in Pontiac. H1N1 vaccine will be available in this Health Division office only. Our Southfield and Walled Lake clinic will not provide this vaccine.

### **Choosing a Vaccination Outreach Clinic**

- The goal is to provide a convenient location for everyone. Whether you choose to go to your physician or you come to one of the Health Division clinics

- If you choose an Oakland County Health Division school based outreach clinic, we ask you to go to a clinic located closest to you. If that is not possible residents can attend one that is most convenient

#### 4. Vaccination Cost

- There is no charge for the vaccine, it is being provided by the federal government free of charge
  - Health care providers are allowed to charge an administration fee, but health care insurance may cover these fees. Check with your provider
  - Oakland County will not be charging an administration fee

#### 5. Pre-Enrollment

- As a result of the limited supply of the 2009 H1N1 vaccine, flu shots will be provided based on availability. Pre-enrollment does not guarantee a flu shot at our clinics, but it will reduce required paperwork at the site. Walk-ins are welcome at our clinics.

#### 6. Schools are Important Partners

- Pandemic planning is not new to Oakland County schools. Every school has had pandemic plans in place since 2007
- Oakland County schools are to be congratulated as they did not panic in the spring and worked closely with us to keep their schools open
- Additionally, the schools have done an outstanding job in their efforts to provide daily flu prevention messaging to students and parents including information on:
  - Frequent hand washing
  - Cough and sneeze etiquette
  - Frequent cleaning of commonly touched surfaces
  - Keeping kids and staff home when they are ill
- Finally, schools play a very important role in our surveillance activities reporting illnesses using our new communication and reporting portal. The information they provide assists us with our understanding of disease occurrence in the community

For more information please watch for updates our website at [www.oakgov.com/health](http://www.oakgov.com/health) our flu hotline at 800-434-3358 or contact Nurse on Call at 800-848-5533.