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Greenfield Health Department to Host Influenza Vaccination Clinics

GREENFIELD, WI – Anyone can get the flu, and vaccination is the best way to protect against influenza. Influenza is a contagious, respiratory illness caused by a virus that can lead to serious complications, hospitalization and in extreme cases, even death. Symptoms include: fever, chills, headache, cough and muscle aches. Preventing influenza will reduce sick days and keep many families healthy. The best time to receive an influenza vaccine is during the fall months. The influenza vaccination is encouraged throughout both the fall and winter months because the influenza season peaks in February.

“An annual flu shot is the first and most important step in protecting against flu viruses,” states Darren Rausch, Health Officer/Director for the Greenfield Health Department. “The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommend that all people receive an annual influenza vaccination.”

The Greenfield Health Department will be hosting multiple clinics throughout the fall. Clinics for infants and school-age children will be held on October 12th and October 26th (see details below). The clinic for adult residents will be held on October 19th (see details below).

Clinics for Infants and School-Aged Children

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| Tuesday, October 12 th | 10:00 am - Noon |
| Thursday, October 26 th | 3:00 - 5:00 pm |

No appointments are necessary at these clinics and clients will be served on a first come, first served basis. Special funding allows for the administration of the flu vaccine to all children ages 6 months through 18 years, regardless of insurance status. Additional child and adolescent vaccinations are available as needed. There is no fee at these clinics due to special grant funding. All children are encouraged to attend.

Clinics for Adults 65 Years and Older

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| Thursday, October 19 th | 10:00 am - Noon |
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No appointments are necessary at these clinics and clients will be served on a first come, first served basis. The department can bill Medicare and certain HMO plans, including those provided by United Healthcare.

Please call (414) 329-5275 with questions or for additional information.

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