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H1N1 Vaccine Second Shipment Arrival

Jackson, Ca. Amador County Public Health has received its second shipment of H1N1 vaccine for the Amador community. Earlier this month the first shipment of about 400 doses of the FluMist version of the H1N1 vaccine was received and prioritized for children age 2 – 5 and caregivers of infants 6 months or younger.

This second shipment includes different forms of the vaccine, making it available to a greater range of priority groups. Local priorities for offering this shipment of vaccine will be:

1. Individuals age 6 months – 24 years,
2. Pregnant women,
3. Individuals who live with or provide care for infants younger than 6 months (e.g., parents, siblings, and daycare providers),
4. Health-care and emergency medical services personnel,
5. Individuals age 25 – 64 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications.

Amador County Public Health, in cooperation with Amador County Unified School District, is offering school H1N1 vaccination clinics in order to insure the vaccine is distributed as quickly as possible. Elementary school clinics will be held October 28th, 29th and 30th. Information packets with consent forms will be mailed home to junior high and senior high school parents October 29th with clinics tentatively scheduled for the week of November 9th. Only children with signed parent consent forms on file with Amador County Unified School District specifically for the H1N1 vaccine will be provided the vaccination at these clinics. Vaccination is recommended even if a person has experienced influenza like illness.

In addition, Public Health is scheduling mass vaccination clinics for the targeted groups to be held over the next few weeks. More information regarding the dates, times and locations of these clinics will be available as soon as arrangements are finalized.

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“H1N1 continues to circulate and remains, for the majority of people, a mild illness similar to seasonal flu,” said Dr. Bob Hartmann, Amador County Health Officer. “The best prevention for both H1N1 and seasonal flu remains vaccination, washing your hands frequently, covering your cough and your sneeze and staying home if you are sick.”

To stay up-to-date on current flu information and recommendations, visit the Public Health website: www.co.amador.ca.us/depts/public_health/. For more information or planning assistance, contact Amador County Public Health at 223-6407.