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Influenza activity continues; Health District encourages flu shots

LAS VEGAS --Influenza activity continues to increase throughout the Las Vegas Valley. The Southern Nevada Health District continues to offer free flu shots at its public health centers as well as at clinics throughout the Las Vegas Valley, including clinics at five area high schools. The clinics are open to anyone over six months of age; **parents must accompany minors**. For information, contact the Southern Nevada Health District's immunization program, (702) 759-0850 or visit www.SNHD.info.

The health district reminds Valley residents that flu shots are especially important for caregivers of infants and young children, health care providers, or people with a chronic medical condition. Flu activity peaks in January and February, and the health district advises that anyone can still be adequately protected against the flu by getting a flu shot. This year's influenza vaccine is well-matched to the three strains circulating around the Valley and across the country.

Free flu shots and other immunizations are available at the health district's public health centers between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday:

- Ravenholt Public Health Center, 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas
- East Las Vegas Public Health Center, 560 N. Nellis Blvd., Suite E12, Las Vegas
- Henderson Public Health Center, 520 E. Lake Mead Parkway, Henderson
- Mesquite Public Health Center, 830 Hafen Lane, Mesquite, **Tue/Thu 8 a.m.-noon and 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.**

School-based clinics are held Tuesday and Thursday between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. at the following area high schools (*except during school holidays or school events*):

Chaparral High School
3850 Annie Oakley Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89121

Desert Pines High School
3800 Harris Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89110

Durango High School
7100 W. Dewey Dr.
Las Vegas, NV 89113

Mojave High School
5302 Goldfield St.
North Las Vegas, NV 89031

Silverado High School
1650 Silverhawk Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89123

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Flu shot clinics – add one

Additional flu shot clinics are scheduled for the following locations:

Clark County Government Center

Tues., Feb. 22, 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
500 S. Grand Central Pkwy, Training Rm 1
Las Vegas, NV 89155

Div. of Welfare and Supportive Services

Wed., Feb. 23 & Mon., Feb. 28, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
611 N. Nellis Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89110

Greenland Korea Town/Korean Day

Sun., Feb. 20, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
6850 Spring Mountain Rd.
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Belz Outlet Mall/Foundation for Recovery Walk

Sat., Feb. 26, 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.
7400 Las Vegas Blvd., South
Las Vegas, NV 89123

East Las Vegas Community/Senior Center

Sat., March 5, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m.
250 N. Eastern Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Touro University Nevada/Health Fair

Sun., March 6, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
874 American Pacific Drive.
Henderson, NV 89014

College of Southern Nevada/Women's Fair

Wednesday, March 9, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.
6375 W. Charleston Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89146

Southpoint Home Show/Southpoint Hotel & Casino

Friday, March 25, Noon – 6 p.m., Sat., March 26, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Sun., March 27, 10 a.m.- 5 p.m.
9777 Las Vegas Blvd., South
Las Vegas, NV 89183

Boys and Girls Clubs of Southern Nevada

Andre Agassi Clubhouse

Wednesday, March 23, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
800 N. Martin Luther King Blvd.
Las Vegas, NV 89106

B.C. McCabe Clubhouse

Wednesday, April 20, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
2801 Stewart Ave.
Las Vegas, NV 89101

Ralph and Betty Engelstad Clubhouse

Wednesday, May 18, 3 p.m. – 6 p.m.
3540 Cambridge St.
Las Vegas, NV 89169

This year's flu shot includes the 2009 H1N1 influenza strain. There are no vaccine shortages and the health district encourages everyone to get a flu shot, especially high-risk individuals including people age 50 and over, pregnant women, individuals over the age of six months with chronic medical conditions, health care workers, and household contacts of individuals who are at high risk. Additionally, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended that anyone over the age of six months old should receive an annual flu shot.

Updated information about the Southern Nevada Health District can be found on Facebook www.facebook.com/SouthernNevadaHealthDistrict, on YouTube www.youtube.com/SNHHealthDistrict or Twitter : www.twitter.com/SNHInfo.