



SAGINAW COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

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Fact Sheet for 2009 H1N1 Vaccine

Who is eligible to receive the 2009 H1N1 vaccine?

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has identified **target** immunization groups as recipients of the 2009 H1N1 Influenza vaccine.

People in the **target** immunization group include:

1. Pregnant women
2. People caring for children less than 6 months of age
3. Health care workers
4. People ages 6 months through 24 years of age
5. People ages 25 through 64 years of age with chronic medical conditions

Initial quantities of the vaccine will be limited and therefore the priority group should be given the vaccine before the general public. As additional vaccine becomes available, wider groups may be identified.

Where can I get the 2009 H1N1 vaccine?

Saginaw County will be enrolling local healthcare providers to receive and administer the 2009 H1N1 vaccine. The Saginaw County Department of Public Health will also be setting up vaccination clinics for H1N1. Other providers such as pharmacies may also carry the vaccine. Please visit our website for clinic schedules once they are posted at www.saginawpublichealth.org

How much will the 2009 H1N1 vaccine cost?

There will no charge for the 2009 H1N1 vaccine; however, there may be a fee for the administration of the vaccine.

Is the 2009 H1N1 vaccine safe?

It is expected that the 2009 H1N1 vaccine will have a similar safety report as seasonal flu vaccines, which have a very good safety track record. The most common side effects following flu vaccinations are mild, such as soreness, redness, tenderness or swelling where the shot was given. The CDC and the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) will be closely monitoring for any signs that the vaccine is causing unexpected bad events.

Will two doses of the 2009 H1N1 vaccine be required?

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the use of one dose of 2009 H1N1 vaccine for persons 10 years of age and older. At this time, FDA has approved two doses for children 6 months of age to 9 years of age. For those children that require two doses, there will be a waiting period of 21-28 days between the first and second vaccination.