

Attention: Residential Students Only

Limited supply of H1N1 Flu Vaccine has arrived at UWF!

A limited supply of H1N1 flu vaccine has arrived at UWF and will be distributed by the Student Health Center according to CDC and Escambia County Public Health Department guidelines. The initial supply of H1N1 vaccine for students is live attenuated nasal spray vaccine. At first, it will be offered only to residential students who are healthy adults up to age 24. When additional supplies arrive, it will be offered to healthy adults up to the age of 49.

Those who cannot receive the nasal spray vaccine include:

- People younger than 2 years of age
- Pregnant women
- People 50 years of age and older
- People with a medical condition that places them at higher risk for complications for influenza, including those with chronic heart or lung disease, such as asthma or reactive airways disease, people with medical conditions such as diabetes or kidney failure; or people with illnesses that weaken the immune system, or who take medications that can weaken the immune system
- Children younger than 5 years old with a history of recurrent wheezing
- Children or adolescents receiving aspirin therapy
- People who have had Guillain-Barre syndrome (GBS), a rare disorder of the nervous system, within 6 week of getting a flu vaccine
- People who have a severe allergy to chicken eggs or who are allergic to any of the nasal spray vaccine components

In addition, anyone who received a seasonal nasal flu vaccine should wait one month until receiving a nasal H1N1 vaccine. For more information on the H1N1 nasal vaccine please read the vaccine safety information sheet which is available at <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/pubs/vis/downloads/vis-laiiv-h1n1.pdf>

If you would like to receive the H1N1 nasal vaccine and meet the above eligibility criteria, you will need to sign up in advance due to the limited availability.

Sign up in the Great Hall, Commons Bldg 22 on the following dates:

November 12, 2009 – 2:30pm – 4:30pm

November 13, 2009 – 10am – 12noon

You will be assigned a number and be given the date, time and place of your vaccination session. Please arrive 10 minutes before your session as late arrivers will have to wait until the next session. Sessions will be as follows:

November 16, 2009 -- 1:00pm

November 16, 2009 -- 2:00pm

November 18, 2009 -- 12:00pm

November 18, 2009 -- 1:00pm

Cost: \$10 to cover administration cost.

We anticipate the arrival of additional H1N1 vaccine in shot form in the near future and will be scheduling additional vaccine clinics as the vaccine arrives. The eligibility for the shot will include pregnant women and adult with chronic conditions such as: asthma, diabetes and chronic heart disease. Please continue to check this website for updates on vaccine availability.