



# News Release

## Department of Health and Wellness

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### **FULTON COUNTY TO OFFER H1N1 VACCINATIONS IN SATURDAY CLINICS**

*Three H1N1 Clinics Will Administer Vaccine November 21, 2009*

The Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness will hold special Saturday Clinics to offer the H1N1 vaccine, nasal spray and injections, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, November 21, 2009. This will allow Fulton County residents in CDC's high priority groups a convenient opportunity to receive the vaccine. The H1N1 Saturday Clinics will be held at the following locations:

#### **North Fulton Regional Health Center**

3155 Royal Drive, Suite 125  
Alpharetta, Georgia 30004  
(404) 332-1876

#### **Center Hill Health Center**

3201 Atlanta Industrial Parkway, N.W., Suite 302  
Atlanta, Georgia 30331  
(404) 699-6370

#### **College Park Regional Health Center**

1920 John Wesley Ave.  
College Park, Georgia 30337  
(404) 765-4155

The H1N1 nasal spray vaccine is also available for healthy 2 to 49 year olds.

The groups highly recommended to get the injectable vaccine include:

- **Pregnant women** because they are at higher risk of complications and can potentially provide protection to infants who cannot be vaccinated;
- **Household contacts and caregivers for children younger than 6 months of age** because younger infants are at higher risk of influenza-related complications and cannot be vaccinated. Vaccination of those in close contact with infants less than 6 months old might help protect infants by "cocooning" them from the virus;

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- **Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel** because infections among healthcare workers have been reported and this can be a potential source of infection for vulnerable patients. Also, increased absenteeism in this population could reduce healthcare system capacity;
- **All people from 6 months through 24 years of age**
  - **Children from 6 months through 18 years of age** because there have been many cases of novel H1N1 influenza in children and they are in close contact with each other in school and day care settings, which increases the likelihood of disease spread, and
  - **Young adults 19 through 24 years of age** because of the many cases of novel H1N1 influenza in these healthy young adults and they often live, work, and study in close proximity, and they are a frequently mobile population; and,
- **Persons aged 25 through 64 years who have health conditions associated with higher risk of medical complications from influenza.**

The vaccine is provided at no charge to the client. People will be served on a first come, first served basis.

For information about vaccine availability in Fulton County, log-on to [www.fultoncountygahealth.org](http://www.fultoncountygahealth.org) or contact the Georgia H1N1 Information Line at 1-888-416-1463 for information about the virus, vaccine and other health district locations.

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