

WAUKESHA COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION

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Protecting You from the Flu

Waukesha, WI – Waukesha County's Public Health Division will be holding Flu Shot Clinics throughout the County from October to December and beyond as long as the vaccine supply lasts.

Influenza, commonly called the flu, is a serious and highly contagious lung disease that is caused by a virus. It is spread by coughing, sneezing, or talking. Symptoms of the flu are fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, muscle aches, and fatigue.

Anyone can get the flu, but some people become very ill and require hospitalization. Flu and related complications cause an average of 36,000 deaths each year in the United States.

The flu vaccine is the single best way to prevent the flu. It is recommended that people who are at risk of serious complications from the flu receive a flu shot each year. In addition, people who live with or work with those at high risk should get a flu shot. Finally, anyone who wants to lower his or her chances of getting the flu can be vaccinated. Those recommended to get a flu shot this flu season are:

- Children aged 6 months up to their 19th birthday
- Pregnant women
- People 50 years of age and older
- People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions
- People who live in nursing homes and other long-term care facilities
- People who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from the flu, including:
 - Health care workers
 - Household contacts of persons at high risk for complications from the flu
 - Household contacts and out of home caregivers of children less than 6 months of age (these children are too young to be vaccinated)

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“Protecting You from the Flu,” continued...

Yearly flu shots can be given as soon as the vaccine is available and can continue throughout the flu season, into December, January, and beyond. Flu season most often peaks in January or February or later, so people who did not get a flu shot in Fall can still get one later in December and January and beyond.

Adults can receive a flu shot at eight Immunization Clinics held throughout the County each month as long as the supply lasts. The cost for the flu vaccine is \$30.00. Medicare and Medicaid is accepted.

Children who use public health clinics for their childhood vaccines, those on Title 19, and children without vaccine insurance coverage may get a flu shot at the routine Immunization Clinics. The fee is \$7.00 and it may be waived if necessary.

For more information call the Waukesha County Public Health Division at (262) 896-8430 or on the web at www.waukeshacounty.gov/publichealth.

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2008**

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Children: who use public health clinics for childhood immunizations, those on Title 19, and children without insurance coverage may receive a flu shot for \$7.00; the fee may be waived if necessary. No appointment except at Brookfield location.

Medicare and Medicaid are accepted.

Date	Municipality	Time	Address
October 7 November 4 December 2	Brookfield	3:00 – 6:00 pm	Brookfield Lutheran Church 18500 Burleigh Rd.
October 14 November 11 December 9	Dousman	1:00 – 4:00 pm	St. Mary's Episcopal Church Hwy 18 and 67
October 20 November 17 December 15	Menomonee Falls	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Holy Cross Lutheran Church W156 N8131 Pilgrim Rd.
October 9 November 13 December 11	Mukwonago	1:00 – 4:00 pm	Mt. Olive Lutheran Church 211 Main Street
October 27 November 24	New Berlin	3:30 – 6:30 pm	Forest Park United Presbyterian Church 2300 Sunnyslope Rd.
October 8 November 12 December 10	Pewaukee	3:00 – 6:00 pm	Shepherd of the Hills N36 W24130 Hwy 164
October 6 November 3 December 1	Waukesha	3:00 – 6:00 pm	St. Luke's Lutheran Church 300 Carroll St. (Corner of Carroll & Grand)
October 15 November 19 December 17	Waukesha	4:00 – 6:00 pm	Trinity Lutheran 1052 Whiterock Ave (School Entrance off of Baxter St.)

