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### **Health department recognizing National Influenza Vaccination Week**

The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department is taking part in National Influenza Vaccination Week by encouraging H1N1 flu shots to those who have not yet received one this winter.

"We have plenty of doses remaining, and since Jan. 10-16 has been highlighted as the national time to get vaccinated, what better time than now to make an appointment and get a free H1N1 flu shot," said LFCHD spokesman Kevin Hall.

The free H1N1 shots are given by appointment only at the Public Health Clinic North Annex, 805B Newtown Circle. To schedule an appointment, call the Flu Hotline at 288-7529.

The Lexington-Fayette County Health Department and Fayette County Public Schools are also preparing for the start of free, voluntary H1N1 vaccination clinics for children at school. The clinics are scheduled to begin Tuesday, Jan. 19. A complete clinic schedule is available at [www.LexFluCrew.com](http://www.LexFluCrew.com).

Consent forms were sent home last week, and they must be filled out completely and returned no later than Wednesday, Jan. 13. If forms are not completely filled out and signed with permission granted, students will not receive the vaccination. Consent forms and packets of information are available at [www.fcps.net](http://www.fcps.net) and [www.LexFluCrew.com](http://www.LexFluCrew.com). Anyone without access to a computer can call the health department's Flu Hotline at 288-7529 to request a copy.

Parents who have concerns about their child's eligibility for the vaccination should contact their health care provider or the health department's Flu Hotline (288-7529) before signing the consent form. Anyone allergic to eggs or with a previous bad reaction to a flu shot cannot get the H1N1 vaccine at the school clinic and should contact their health care provider for further guidance.

The health department will post the latest updated information on the clinics on its Flu Hotline, 288-7529, and online at [www.LexFluCrew.com](http://www.LexFluCrew.com). For additional information, become a fan of the Lexington-Fayette County Health Department on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter at [twitter.com/LFCHD](http://twitter.com/LFCHD).

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