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Health District to Offer Extended Hours for Back-to-School Immunizations Parents Encouraged to Bring Immunizations Up-To-Date This Week, While Wait Times are Shorter

(Las Vegas, Nev., - August 9, 2005) – From Monday, August 22, to Friday, September 9, the Clark County Health District will offer extended back-to-school immunization hours at its main campus, located at 625 Shadow Lane. The extended hours, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m., Monday – Friday, should make it more convenient for working parents to keep vaccinations up-to-date.

Following the lead of the National Partnership for Immunization, the State of Nevada and the City of Las Vegas have both officially proclaimed August 2005 as National Immunization Awareness Month. The proclamations urge “parents, young people and adults to make sure that they and their loved ones are up-to-date on their immunizations.”

“Preventing disease is a far better alternative than treating disease,” said Bonnie Sorenson, director of nursing for the district. “As the school year begins, we strongly encourage parents to take an active role in keeping their children’s immunizations up-to-date,” said Sorenson.

The following vaccinations are required for students enrolling in public or private school: chickenpox (varicella); hepatitis A; hepatitis B; polio; diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (DTaP); and measles, mumps, rubella (MMR). Parents that have recently moved to Nevada should note the chickenpox and hepatitis A vaccinations are not required in all states, so immunizations that were up-to-date in other states may not be current in Nevada.

Immunizations are also available at each of the Clark County Health District’s satellite public health centers. For locations, hours and dates, call the health district immunization project at (702) 383-1351.

Most immunizations are free of charge; however, an administrative fee of \$16 per patient for one immunization or \$20 per patient for two or more immunizations will be collected.

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The Clark County Health District will also conduct immunization clinics at locations throughout the valley. Parents are asked to bring a copy of their child's immunization records.

Health District Community Immunization Clinic Dates and Locations:

Meadows Mall (on the lower level, next to Sears)
4300 Meadows Ln., Las Vegas, NV 89107
Saturday, August 13, 2005 and Sunday, August 14, 2005
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

West Las Vegas Library
833 Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89101
Saturday, August 13, 2005
12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

Circus Circus Hotel Casino
Adventure Dome Theme Park
2880 Las Vegas Blvd South, Las Vegas, NV 89109
Saturday, August 20, 2005
12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Boulevard Mall (East side of mall, next to Famous Footwear)
3680 Maryland Pkwy., Las Vegas, NV 89109
Saturday, August 20, 2005 and Sunday, August 21, 2005
10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Saturday), 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. (Sunday)

Galleria Mall (on the lower level, between J.C. Penney and Robinsons May)
1300 W Sunset Rd., Henderson, NV 89014
Saturday, August 27, 2005
10 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Chinatown Plaza (in the mall lobby)
4255 Spring Mountain Rd., Las Vegas, NV 89102
Sunday, August 28, 2005
11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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