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Flu vaccine made available for the general public

(Las Vegas, Nev. – January 4, 2001) – The Clark County Health District will begin offering flu shots to the general public on Monday, January 8, 2000 at the Ravenholt Public Health Center located at 625 Shadow Lane, the East Las Vegas Public Health Center at 560 N. Nellis Blvd., and the Henderson Public Health Center at 129 W. Lake Mead Blvd. The clinics will be open during normal business hours (8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.). A Saturday clinic will be held on January 13, 2000 from 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. at the Ravenholt Health Center.

Due to the delay in receiving the flu vaccine the Health District followed guidelines of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and offered immunizations to the at-risk population first. To date the Health District has immunized over 4,000 individuals who fall in this category.

Dr. Donald Kwalick, chief health officer, states, “Initially, our public health nurses were very busy administering the vaccine. While there is still a steady stream of people coming in for their shots we assessed the situation and felt now would be the appropriate time to begin immunizing the general public. Thankfully, the flu season got off to a slow start and it is not too late for people to benefit from getting the shot.”

The immunization is free to those covered by Medicare Part B or a contracted Medicare provider, and \$10.00 for the general public. For more information, contact the Nursing and Clinics Division at 383-1351 or 383-1494.

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