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Health District continues to offer H1N1 vaccine during spring break

LAS VEGAS – Spring break offers parents an opportunity to bring their children to any health district location to receive their 2009 H1N1 immunization. Children between the ages of six months old and age nine should receive the second 2009 H1N1 dose four weeks after the first dose or at least 21-28 days later. Parents should bring their children's H1N1 vaccine record with them when they are to receive the second dose. For additional information, contact the immunization clinic, (702) 759-0850 or visit www.SNHD.info.

Current projections indicate that this influenza strain will be the dominant strain for the next flu season. The virus has not mutated and this year's shot will offer protection for the upcoming flu season. Next year's seasonal flu vaccine will include the 2009 H1N1 influenza virus.

The Southern Nevada Health District continues to offer 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccine at its four public health centers, Monday through Friday between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

The second dose is recommended for children so they develop adequate protection against the 2009 H1N1 influenza strain. By getting vaccinated now, people can be protected themselves and their families against the strain when it returns in the fall.

The health district continues to visit elementary schools throughout the Valley to provide H1N1 influenza vaccine to school-age children, including the recommended second dose.

Since its emergence in April, the H1N1 influenza strain has been the dominant flu virus seen across the country and in Southern Nevada. To date, there have been more than 3,400 lab-confirmed cases of H1N1 influenza.

Seasonal and H1N1 influenza vaccinations are especially recommended for health care workers, people who live with or care for babies younger than six months old, anyone with a compromised immune system or a chronic medical condition and pregnant women. In addition, younger people were included in the initial priority groups as people younger than 25 are particularly susceptible to becoming more seriously ill when they are infected.

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The 2009 H1N1 vaccine is available at all Southern Nevada Health District public health centers Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Additional community clinics are scheduled as follows:

April 3, 2010 - 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Las Vegas Woman's Expo
Red Rock Casino Resort Spa
11011 W. Charleston
Las Vegas, NV 89135

April 10, 2010 - 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Aliante Station Community Health & Wellness Expo
7300 Aliante Parkway
North Las Vegas, NV 89084

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