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Influenza in Southern Nevada

LAS VEGAS – The Southern Nevada Health District's respiratory illness surveillance program has confirmed two recent influenza cases in Clark County, a reminder that flu continues to circulate in the community. This year's flu shot includes the influenza strains currently circulating, including the strains identified in the local cases and the health district is reminding everyone it is not too late to be immunized this flu season. Flu shots are available at the Southern Nevada Health District. For information contact the immunization clinic, (702) 759-0850 or visit www.SNHD.info. Flu shots are \$28, and the new high-dose shot for people 65 and older is \$53.

The health district has administered more than 10,500 flu shot doses since mid-September. Flu season peaks in January or February and can continue until May. There are no flu shot shortages this year and the vaccine is available throughout the community.

It is recommended that everyone 6 months of age and older get a yearly flu vaccination. The health district encourages everyone to get flu vaccinations, especially persons at high-risk of complications from the flu including children younger than 5 (children younger than 2 years old are at highest risk), adults 65 years of age and older and pregnant women.

Immunizations are available at the following health district locations:

Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. until 4:30 p.m.

• Ravenholt Public Health Center, 625 Shadow Lane, Las Vegas 89106

Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

- East Las Vegas Public Health Center, 570 N. Nellis Blvd., Ste. D-1, Las Vegas 89110
- Henderson Public Health Center, 520 E. Lake Mead Parkway, Henderson 89015

Tuesday and Thursday, 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. CLOSED for lunch from noon to 1 p.m.

• Mesquite Public Health Center, 830 Hafen Lane, Mesquite 89027

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