



Press Release

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H1N1 Vaccine Administration Begins at Elk Elementary Center

The Kanawha-Charleston Health Department (KCHD) will be administering the H1N1 influenza vaccine to children enrolled in Elk Elementary Center on **Tuesday, October 27th** during school hours. Permission slips were distributed to the students last week. All children with completed permission slips will be vaccinated at the school during normal school hours.

An evening clinic will be held on **October 27th from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.** for children 6 months to 4 years of age or children 5-18 years of age who have certain medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications who live in the Elkview area. These children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian to be vaccinated.

On **Wednesday, October 28th** KCHD will travel to Bridge and Clendenin Elementary Schools and **Thursday, October 29th** will be at Pinch Elementary. Additional school based clinics are being scheduled throughout Kanawha County over the next few weeks and evening clinics will be available in areas throughout the county to target the children 6 months to 4 years of age and those with chronic medical conditions. Over the next few weeks, several teams from KCHD will be simultaneously conducting these School-Located Vaccination Clinics at various sites throughout the day.

Children under the age of ten will need two doses of vaccine 3-4 weeks apart. There is no cost for the vaccine. For more information, please call The Kanawha-Charleston Health Department H1N1 Flu Hotline at (304) 348-8077.

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