



## WILLIAMSON COUNTY AND CITIES HEALTH DISTRICT

### NEWS RELEASE

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### **National Influenza Vaccination Week – Several Upcoming H1N1 Clinics**

January 12, 2010 (Williamson County) –

National Influenza Vaccination Week is a national observance that was established to highlight the importance of continuing influenza vaccination after the holiday season into January and beyond, especially H1N1 vaccine as that is the predominant strain circulating.

Williamson County and Cities Health District will be participating in several mass H1N1 immunization clinics in the community as well as offering it at all of our clinic sites during our regularly scheduled hours. There is no charge for the H1N1 vaccine.

Influenza illness tends to ebb and flow during the season and although we are currently seeing a decrease in incidence our experience from past pandemics is to not let our guard down and to continue immunizing in anticipation of a possible third wave.

The upcoming clinics have been scheduled in recognition of the national influenza vaccination observance:

January 22 at the Sun City Social Center Ballroom at 2 Texas Drive in Georgetown from 10am to 2pm

January 23 in partnership with Georgetown ISD at Forbes Middle School from noon to 3pm

January 27 in partnership with Leander ISD at the LEO Center from 4pm to 8pm

Several school districts including the above along with Liberty Hill, Granger, Taylor, Hutto, Round Rock, Jarrell, Thrall and Florence also have been making H1N1 vaccine available to staff, students and family members with clinics and by appointments with their school nurses. We are very appreciative of all of their hard work helping to keep our communities healthy.

Additional clinics are currently in the planning stages and will be announced in the near future.

For more information on immunization requirements in general go to <http://www.dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/default.shtm>. To learn more about WCCHD immunization clinic hours or other available programs visit *your public health department* at [www.wcchd.org](http://www.wcchd.org).