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It's Not Too Late to Get Your H1N1 Vaccine
January 10 – 16 is National Influenza Vaccination Week

Public Health is concerned that some people believe it's too late to vaccinate or that the H1N1 threat has gone away. People are still getting sick from the H1N1 pandemic flu virus in Washington State. Recent reports from local the healthcare community indicate that many senior citizens have not yet been vaccinated.

This pandemic flu virus can be deadly for some people and cause others to need hospitalization during an illness. In the recent weeks, there has been a slight increase in flu activity in the state. This could mean 2009 H1N1 is making a come back or seasonal flu is here!

There is not enough evidence that prior infection with 2009 H1N1 will make a person immune against future H1N1 infections. *Therefore, those with prior 2009 H1N1 infection should still be vaccinated.*

Healthy people and senior citizens who are not yet vaccinated should seriously consider protecting themselves. People in priority groups who did not get the vaccine earlier are strongly encouraged to get it now. Don't risk your health in the New Year. 2009 H1N1 flu shots are available this Wednesday, January 13, 2010 at two **FREE** vaccination clinics.



Big Bend Community College
ATEC Building
January 13, 2010 9:00 a.m. - 12:45 p.m.

Moses Lake Senior Center
608 East 3rd Avenue
January 13, 2010 3:30 - 7:00 p.m.

There are many other locations where people can be vaccinated, so it's easy to do. Local pharmacies and medical clinics are providing 2009 H1N1 vaccines. Insurance usually covers the cost of administering the vaccine at these sites.