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**- Public Health Advisories -  
Preliminary data may suggest a single dose of H1N1 vaccine  
H1N1 Vaccine registration**

PRELIMINARY data suggests one H1N1 vaccination may provide sufficient immunity for HEALTHY ADULTS.

Early today the media began to report that only one dose of the H1N1 vaccine may be required. These reports are based on early preliminary findings from the human vaccine trials underway now. Although these early findings are encouraging please note these are preliminary findings and they do not address children or unhealthy adults. Dr. Brzezny, Grant County Health Officer would like to encourage healthcare providers to review the attached journal articles.

Attached:

09/10/2009 The New England Journal of Medicine Editorial, “One H1N1 vaccination may provide sufficient immunity”

09/10/2009 New England Journal of Medicine, “Response after One Dose Monovalent 2009 Influenza A (H1N1) Vaccine – Preliminary Report”

09/10/2009 New England Journal of Medicine, “Cross-Reactive Antibody Responses to the 2009 Pandemic H1N1 Influenza Virus”

H1N1 Vaccine

It is anticipated that H1N1 vaccine will be available in October or November for priority target groups identified by the CDC. Those groups are:

- Pregnant women;
- Household contacts and caregivers for children younger than 6 months of age;
- Healthcare and emergency medical services personnel; .All people from 6 months through 24 years of age
- Persons aged 25 through 64 years who have health conditions associated with higher risk of medical complications from influenza.

All provider offices currently enrolled as State children's vaccine providers have been pre-registered with the Department of Health; others interested in providing the vaccine can pre-register at [www.doh.wa.gov/swineflu/h1n1reg.htm](http://www.doh.wa.gov/swineflu/h1n1reg.htm).

Pre-registration is neither a commitment on your part to administer H1N1 vaccine, nor is it a guarantee that your site will be approved at this time.

Within the next couple of weeks, DOH will e-mail or broadcast-fax the required H1N1 Vaccine Provider Agreement to pre-registered providers. The H1N1 Vaccine Provider Agreement will include the finalized terms for use of the H1N1 vaccine, and will require a provider signature. Submission of this agreement does not guarantee your facility will become a H1N1 vaccine distribution site. Grant County Health District will be approving distribution sites and notify those that are not selected and discuss redistribution options available through the Grant County Health District.

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