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News Release

H1N1 Flu Vaccinations at Area Schools

Kingsford, Michigan – November 24, 2009. The Dickinson-Iron District Health Department will be conducting school-based H1N1 flu immunization clinics in December. Students in grades 5th – 12th will be immunized during school hours on the following dates:

- Bishop Baraga Catholic School, Friday, December 4th
- Iron Mountain School, Friday, December 4th
- West Iron County School, Thursday, December 10th
- Norway-Vulcan School, Thursday, December 17th
- Holy Spirit Central School, Thursday, December 17th
- Kingsford Middle and High School, Monday, December 21st.

Students in grades K – 4th will be immunized at an after-school or a Saturday clinic, so the parents may be present, on the dates below. Please call the Health Department for an appointment.

- West Iron County School, Thursday, December 10th
- Norway-Vulcan School, Thursday, December 17th
- Holy Spirit Central School, Thursday, December 17th at the Norway-Vulcan School
- Bishop Baraga Catholic School, Saturday, December 19, 2009
- Iron Mountain Schools, Saturday, December 19, 2009
- Breitung Township Schools, Saturday, December 19, 2009

Please complete the consent form your student brings home and return it to the school as soon as possible for all grades.

Parents or anyone residing in the above school districts that are in one of the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) priority groups listed below may attend the after-school or Saturday clinic. Please call the health department at 774-1868 or 265-4150 to schedule an appointment.

1. Pregnant women
2. People who live with or provide daycare for infants less than 6 months of age
3. Children and young adults from 6 months to 24 years of age
4. Persons 25 -64 years who have medical conditions that put them at higher risk for influenza-related complications, e.g. diabetes, asthma, heart disease or neurological disease
5. Healthcare workers and Emergency Services personnel
If you have a question about the consent form or the school-based clinics, please contact the health department at (906)774-1868 or (906)265-9913.

For more information on H1N1 flu, please go to: www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu.

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