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H1N1 SITUATION REPORT (10/23/09, 4:30 P.M.)

VACCINATION PLANS

- The Health District has received 100 doses of injectable H1N1 vaccine and plans to offer the first vaccination clinic on Thursday, October 29, 2009 on a reservation only basis.
- Reservations are being accepted to serve the following priority groups:
 - Pregnant women
 - Household contacts and caregivers of infants less than 6 months of age
 - Children age 4 to 19 years with high risk medical conditions
 - Healthy children age 2 to 4 years
 - School nurses
- Individuals who fall into any of the above targeted categories and who would like to receive the H1N1 shot are invited to register for vaccination by calling the Health District at 860-721-2815. Callers must provide **ALL** requested information.
- Additional vaccine will be ordered on a weekly basis and more clinics will be scheduled as vaccine is received.
- The four school districts have been requested to send pre-registration forms home to parents. School based clinics will be scheduled as more vaccine becomes available and the priority groups are expanded.
- We continue to urge individuals with influenza-like illness to remain at home (except to get medical care or for other necessities) until at least 24 hours after they are free of fever (100° F or greater), or signs of a fever, without the use of fever-reducing medications.

Additional information:

Connecticut Flu Watch: www.ct.gov/ctfluwatch/swineflu
Connecticut Department of Public Health: www.ct.gov/dph
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention: www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu
CDC School Guidance <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/schools/>
Call 211