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To: Cape May County Physicians, Community Clinics, Hospital Infection Control, Municipal Clerks, Cape May County Departments of Aging and Social Services, County and Municipal senior centers, School Superintendents, School Nurses, assisted living facilities, churches, Puerto Rican Action Committee, Cape Human Resources, US Coast Guard

RE: New County flu vaccine clinics scheduled!

The County will be offering flu shots on many occasions in November/December. If new clinics are scheduled, information will be posted on the flu hotline at 463-6581 and online at www.cmchealth.net. These clinics will be held as long as vaccine is available. People are encouraged to call or check online before coming to make sure the clinic will be held. A flyer with catch-up flu clinic information is attached to this memo. If you can share it with your staff/clients, it would be appreciated.

**Cape May County
Catch-up Flu Shot Clinics**

WHO: Cape May County residents aged 6 months & older

| Date | Time | Place |
|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| Thursday, November 3 | 2:30-4:30 pm | Woodbine Elementary School |
| Saturday, November 12 | 10 am-2 pm | Andon Community Center |
| Friday, November 18 | 1-3 pm | Department of Health* |
| Saturday, November 19 | 12-3 pm | St. Ann's Hall 2900 New Jersey Ave. Wildwood |
| Tuesday, November 22 | 9-11pm | Department of Health* |
| Monday, December 5 | 11am-1pm | County Library Court House branch |

NOTE: Persons with severe allergies to eggs, other vaccine components, or who have had Guillain-Barre Syndrome must get the flu vaccine from their personal physician. Consent forms: www.cmchealth.net and on site.

SENIORS: Both standard and high-dose flu vaccine are available. Bring Medicare and other insurance cards to clinic. Special consent forms available onsite only.

OOST: No cost for standard flu vaccine. High-dose flu vaccine—no cost with Medicare Part B as primary payer; otherwise \$45.

CONFIRM: *Clinics will be held on a first come, first served basis while vaccine is available. Call ahead 463-6581 or check the website www.cmchealth.net to confirm that the clinic will be held.

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The flu clinics are for everyone 6 months and older. All children less than 5 years who attend daycare or preschool must have an annual flu shot by December 31st to stay in school. While supplies last, FluZone High-Dose (flu vaccine licensed only for seniors) and the standard-dose flu vaccine will be available. Pneumonia vaccine will only be offered at Department of Health clinics.

The standard-dose flu vaccine is free! The High-Dose vaccine for seniors may be billed to Medicare Part B if it is the primary payer, or it can be billed to Aetna or Humana Medicare.

Otherwise, the cost is \$45 (check or credit card). A receipt will be provided that can be submitted to the insurance company for reimbursement. Residents wanting the High-Dose flu vaccine should bring Medicare and other insurance cards with them. The pneumonia vaccine is \$15.

Consent forms are available at www.cmchealth.net, at the Department of Health, and will be available at the clinics. The High-Dose vaccine has a separate consent form and will be given at the clinic only. Persons with a severe allergy to eggs, other vaccine components, or who have been told by a doctor that they have had Guillain-Barre syndrome need to receive the flu vaccine from their personal physician.

Check the Department of Health's website at www.cmchealth.net or call the flu hotline at 463-6581 for information on upcoming flu clinics. "Like" the Department of Health's Facebook page and you can also get information on local health events online!

Sincerely,

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The Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Department of Health encourage all residents to get a flu shot every year!



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