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**H1N1 Flu Vaccine Now Available to All County Residents**

Muskegon, MI – The Michigan Department of Community Health officially announced this morning that H1N1 vaccine providers are now able to offer the H1N1 flu vaccine to the general public. In response, Public Health – Muskegon County has notified all H1N1 vaccine health care provider offices and participating pharmacies in Muskegon County that they are no longer limited to accepting residents for vaccination that belong to one of the five high-risk groups. Anyone can now get the H1N1 vaccine.

“While the H1N1 vaccine is now being offered to any resident requesting the vaccination, Public Health – Muskegon County is still encouraging insured persons that have a regular doctor, who is offering the H1N1 vaccine, to contact their physician to arrange for vaccination,” said Ken Kraus, Health Officer for Public Health – Muskegon County. Those without insurance, that do not have a regular physician, or their physician is not offering the vaccine, should call a participating pharmacy to get vaccinated.”

An updated list of participating providers and pharmacies in Muskegon County is available on the Public Health – Muskegon County website at [www.muskegonhealth.net](http://www.muskegonhealth.net). Residents without Internet access should dial Call 2-1-1 for information.

The Michigan Department of Community Health and Public Health –Muskegon County is encouraging everyone to get vaccinated. “The more people who are immune to the H1N1 virus, the less likely the virus will spread in our communities,” said Dr. Greg Holzman, Chief Medical Executive for the Michigan Department of Community Health.”

According to the Michigan Department of Community Health, opening the H1N1 vaccination to the general public is part of a second phase of their plan to protect the public from the H1N1 flu.

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