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MEDIA NOTE: The Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit staff will be providing free H1N1 vaccine to people in the CDC priority groups at locations throughout the county in conjunction with other Health In Motion services during December.

Health In Motion resumes regular services during December

The Sarasota County Health Department's Health In Motion Medical Unit will travel to 15 sites in Sarasota County in December to offer free H1N1 vaccines to those who fall within one of the Centers for Disease Controls designated high-risk groups. Those people include: pregnant women, those who live with or provide care for infants age six months or less, healthcare and emergency medical services personnel, young adults age 18-24, and adults age 25-64 with chronic health conditions including asthma, diabetes, heart disease, and autoimmune conditions.

In addition to the HINI vaccine, the Health In Motion Mobile Medical Unit provides diabetes education and screening, blood pressure tests, pregnancy testing, HIV and tuberculosis testing, adult immunizations and health education to those who lack medical insurance and do not have a healthcare provider. Assistance with finding a permanent health care provider is also available.

No appointments are needed. Some services are free, including HIV rapid testing with results in 20 minutes. Other services are offered on a sliding fee scale based on income. Licensed volunteer physicians from Senior Friendship Center provide basic medical care when the mobile medical unit is at the Salvation Army in Sarasota. A registered nurse is available at all sites.

A schedule of dates for the mobile unit follows below:

SARASOTA

Thursday, Dec. 3, 10, 17, 24 and 31, 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Salvation Army
1400 10th St.

Monday, Dec. 21; 9:30 a.m. - noon

McCown Center – Sarasota Housing Authority
1300 Boulevard of the Arts

Monday, Dec. 7 and 21; 1 - 3 p.m.
La Canasta Market
2268 Fruitville Road

Monday, Dec. 14 and 28; 9:30 a.m. - noon
Selby Goodwill Jobs Center
1781 Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Way

Monday, Dec. 14 and 28; 1 - 3 p.m.
Newtown Estates Park
2800 Newtown Blvd.

Monday, Dec. 7; 9:30 a.m. - noon
Orange Ave. Housing Authority Property
1912 N. Orange Ave.

NOKOMIS

Wednesday, Dec. 16; 9:30 a.m. - noon
The Community Pharmacy of Sarasota County
225 Tamiami Trail S.

LAUREL

Wednesday, Dec. 16; 1 - 5 p.m.
Laurel USDA Food Distribution
Sandra Sims Terry Community Center
509 Collins Road

VENICE

Tuesday, Dec. 8 and 22; 9:30 a.m. - noon
Goodwill Center – The Rialto
650 S. Tamiami Trail

Tuesday, Dec. 8 and 22; 1 - 3 p.m.
Habitat for Humanity Retail Store
1400 Ogden Road

ENGLEWOOD

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 15 and 29; 9:30 a.m. -noon
Englewood Goodwill Center
410 Indiana Ave.

Tuesday, Dec. 1, 15 and 29; 1 - 3 p.m.
Englewood Helping Hands
700 E. Dearborn St.

NORTH PORT

Friday, Dec. 4; 9:30 a.m. - noon
USDA Food Distribution Program
St. Nathaniel's Episcopal Church
4200 S. Biscayne Drive

Wednesday, Dec. 2, and 23; 9:30 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Wednesday, Dec. 9 and 30; 9:30 a.m. - noon
Wal-Mart Super Center
17000 Tamiami Trail

Wednesday, Dec. 9 and 30; 1 - 3 p.m.
Riley Chase Apartments
1015 Panacea Blvd.

For more information contact the Sarasota County Call Center at 941-861-5000, or visit www.sarasotahealth.org to view the calendar, get more information on the H1N1 (swine) flu vaccination campaign or to submit a special event request. Those without computer access can visit a health kiosk at any of the eight Sarasota County libraries and at the Senior Friendship Centers.

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