

## UHH Flu Vaccination Information 11-24-09

Dear UH Hilo Students,

As part of the ongoing vaccination effort by the CDC and Hawaii State Department of Health, a small allotment of H1N1 vaccine was delivered to the University and will be made available to students beginning Wednesday morning at 8am at the Medical Clinic located on the second floor of the Campus Center (<http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/studentaffairs/health/>).

Given the limited number of doses available in this first allotment, the CDC Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) has recommended that the following students are considered high priority groups and should receive the vaccine before others:

- Pregnant women
- People who live with or care for children younger than 6 months
- Health care and emergency medical services personnel with direct patient contact (e.g. nursing students)

Therefore, if you do not fall into any of these groups, please do not visit the Medical Clinic for the vaccine at this time.

As more doses become available, the University will expand the vaccination program to include the remaining priority groups as well as family of students, faculty, and staff in priority groups. You will be notified via the UH Announce system when more doses become available. Eventually the State Department of Health and the CDC expect to provide enough vaccine for all those who want it. However, at this time we would appreciate your cooperation to help UH Hilo follow the ACIP recommendations and to allow those in the groups listed above to receive the vaccinations first.

For more information please visit the CDC H1N1 website at <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>, or the UHH Flu Information Page: <http://www.uhh.hawaii.edu/uhh/ehso/FluInformation.php>.

On behalf of the Division of Student Affairs and the entire University, we wish you health, good food and long naps for the Thanksgiving holiday!

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