

November 20, 2009

Dear Parents & Guardians:

The H1N1 virus is still active in the community. Peel Public Health is urging people to protect themselves by getting the H1N1 vaccine. The health unit has now made the vaccine available to the general public. The vaccine is **Free** and available for everyone 1 year of age and older who lives or works in Peel (including those 65 years of age and older).

Peel Public Health's temporary flu **assessment centres** will be closed as of Thursday November 19, 2009 due to a decline in numbers of people in Peel seeking care for flu-like symptoms, particularly in local hospital emergency departments. The H1N1 vaccine is **FREE** and available at Peel Public Health clinics for everyone 1 year of age and older who lives or works in Peel (including those 65 years of age and older).

If you think you might have the flu, wait until you are better to get vaccinated. For quicker registration, bring your health card and/or driver's license. Bring an interpreter if needed.

Children under 14 years of age need a signed consent form from their parent/guardian to get the vaccine.

If you are pregnant or have a child six months to one year of age and your doctor is not providing H1N1 flu shots, contact Peel Health at (905) 799-7700. Peel Health offers one-on-one scheduled appointments with a physician to meet your unique needs.

The list of H1N1 clinics is provided below.

Brampton H1N1 Flu Clinics

| Date | Location | Address | Time |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|---|
| Nov. 19 - Dec 11, 2009 | Brampton Soccer Centre | 1495 Sandalwood Pkwy., E. | Mon. - Fri. 9:30 am - 9:30 pm Sat. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm |
| Nov. 19 - Dec 11, 2009 | 11 Indell Lane | Airport Rd./Walker Dr. via Clark Blvd. | Mon. - Fri. 9:30 am - 9:30 pm Sat. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm |

Please note, the **Brampton Soccer Centre** is a shared community facility with ongoing programs. The H1N1 Vaccine Clinic at this location will be smaller than other locations with limited parking. Peel Health is asking residents to consider car pooling and the use of public transit where possible and to check with them at www.peelregion.ca to see the current wait times before arriving.

Caledon H1N1 Flu Clinics

| Date | Location | Address | Time |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------|--|
| Mon Nov 23 – Sat Nov 28 | Albion Bolton Community Centre | 150 Queen St., S. | Mon/Tues/Sat 9:30 am – 3:30 pm Wed/Thurs/Fri 3:30 – 9:30 pm |

Mississauga H1N1 Flu Clinics

| Date | Location | Address | Time |
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| Nov 19 - Dec 11, 2009 | International Centre | 6900 Airport Rd., Hall #6 | Mon. - Fri. 9:30 am - 9:30 pm Sat. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm |
| Nov 19 - Dec 11, 2009 | Blessed Trinity Catholic School | 2495 Credit Valley Rd. | Mon. - Fri. 9:30 am - 9:30 pm Sat. - Sun. 10 am - 4 pm |
| Thurs Nov 19, 2009 | Bronte College | 88 Bronte College Crt (gymnasium) | 3 pm - 8 pm |

Thank you for your attention to this and remember, to stop the spread of infectious disease wash hands often, keep your vaccinations up-to-date, cover coughs or sneezes and stay home when ill. Please refer to Peel Health for additional information about H1N1.

Contact information is as follows:

- ▶ 905-799-7700, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- ▶ Caledon residents call toll free at 905-584-2216.
- ▶ Telehealth Ontario at 1-866-532-3161
- ▶ Website www.peelregion.ca

Sincerely,



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