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To: Health Care Partners

Re: Target Groups for H1N1 Vaccination

District Health Department #10 has received a request to remind all providers of H1N1 vaccine regarding the importance of following the recommended ACIP and CDC guidelines for the 2009 H1N1 vaccination target groups. These groups are:

- Pregnant women;
- Caregivers of infants younger than 6 months;
- Persons ages 6 months-24 years;
- People ages 25-64 with certain chronic medical conditions; and
- Health care workers who have direct contact with patients.

The individuals in these groups are at higher risk for H1N1 infection, complications following infection, and/or spreading infection to those who may be unable to fight it off. Vaccine supplies remain very limited and we need to protect our most vulnerable populations first before offering vaccine to others. CDC continues to assure us there will eventually be enough vaccine to provide it to everyone who wants it.

Please refer to the attached letter from MDCH for more information. Thank you for all you do to help protect the health of our communities.

Sincerely,

Dr. James Wilson
Medical Director