



NEVER TOO LATE TO GET VACCINATED

COVID-19 and Flu Vaccine Appointments Available

February 9, 2024 – District Health Department #10 (DHD#10) is reminding residents that it is never too late to get vaccinated and that COVID-19 and Flu vaccine appointments are available.

"Getting vaccinated is the best way for our residents to reduce their risk of serious illness," said DHD#10 Health Officer Kevin Hughes. "Residents can call us to schedule or schedule their Flu or COVID-19 vaccine online. It's never too late to get vaccinated!"

DHD#10 offers both Flu and COVID-19 vaccines that can be scheduled online or over the phone.

Vaccine and eligibility:

- Influenza (Flu)
 - Anyone 6 months or older that has not received a flu vaccine this season should get vaccinated.
- COVID-19
 - Anyone 6 months or older that has not received the updated 2023-2024 COVID vaccine should get vaccinated.

Residents can schedule their Flu and COVID-19 vaccine by visiting https://www.dhd10.org/schedule or by calling 888-217-3904. If no appointments are available, consider going to a pharmacy or your primary health care provider. Additional vaccination sites can be found at https://www.vaccines.gov/search.

The cost for the seasonal flu vaccine or the preservative-free flu vaccine without insurance is \$40. High dose flu shots are available for \$46. Please bring your insurance cards and your driver's license with you.

Many health insurance plans cover the cost of flu, COVID-19, and RSV vaccines. If not, DHD#10 may be able to help through Vaccines for Children (VFC) or other programs. DHD#10 can bill the following: Medicare*, Medicare Health Plans*, Medicaid, Medicaid Health Plans, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Blue Care Network**, Priority Health, McLaren Commercial, ASR, United Health Care, and TRICARE with an insurance card present at the time of appointment. It is important to be aware of your insurance benefit rules.

- *Medicare can only be billed for Flu, Pneumococcal, or PCV13 shots.
- **Excludes Mercy Partnered Plans.

At-home COVID-19 tests are available through https://www.covidtests.gov. DHD#10 also supplies COVID-19 at-home tests; however, supplies are limited. DHD#10's COVID-19 test kits are only available on a first come, first served basis. Individuals are asked to take one kit per person, and up to four kits per household. Test kits are also



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available at most pharmacies. Be sure to call your pharmacy ahead of time, as demand remains high.

For more information on COVID-19, visit https://www.dhd10.org/coronavirus.

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