October 13, 2009

Dear Oakland County School Official:

The Oakland County Health Division has developed a plan to distribute the 2009 H1N1 vaccine in partnership with our schools. This plan outlines the CDC defined Target Population which has been identified as the top priority groups to receive the vaccine. Our school children are among the target population and represent the largest proportion of individuals within these groups.

The plan includes 14 mass vaccination clinics which will occur in schools after hours or on weekends. The decision to hold these clinics outside of school hours was based on survey data we collected from the community as well as national data. The information we gathered indicated parents prefer to be with their children when they receive a flu shot and these times appear to create the least amount of disruption to our schools.

The school sites selected for the 2009 H1N1 clinics were based on location and student population size. Every effort has been made to provide convenient locations and will not be restricted to children or adults that reside in these school districts.

Please refer to our website at www.oakgov.com/health and follow the flu links where you will find the Distribution Plan under H1N1. Thank you in advance for your continued cooperation and partnership in supporting and delivering the flu prevention message in your schools.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns regarding the Oakland County 2009 H1N1 Distribution Plan.

Very Sincerely,

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