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## Six More H1N1 Clinics Scheduled

### ***“Appointments Will Shorten Wait, Eliminate Long Lines”***

Oneida County Executive Anthony J. Picente, Jr. announced today that the health department will conduct a series of H1N1 immunization clinics next month.

*“The vaccine is being made more readily available and we’re able to hold a number of clinics to provide the vaccine to those who need it most,”* Picente said. *“Eventually, we hope to vaccinate every Oneida County resident who wants one.”*

The clinics will administer vaccine in either nasal spray form or as an injectable dose to those persons considered high risk as defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) criteria. They include:

- Children 6-months to 18-years of age
- Parents or caregivers of infants under 6-months of age
- Adults 19-years to 24-years of age
- Adults 25 to 64 years of age with an underlying condition such as asthma, heart disease or diabetes
- Pregnant women
- Healthcare workers and first responders who have direct patient contact

The clinic dates, times and locations are:

- **Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> for priority adults from 4-6 pm at the Health Clinic at 406 Elizabeth St., Utica**
- **Friday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 9-11 am for children and 1-3 pm for pregnant women at 406 Elizabeth St., Utica**
- **Monday, December 7<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm for children at 406 Elizabeth St., Utica**
- **Wednesday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, 4-6 pm for priority adults at 406 Elizabeth St., Utica**
- **Friday, December 11<sup>th</sup> from 9-11am for pregnant women at 228 W. Dominick St. – Bldg. B, Rome, NY**
- **Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup> from 4-6 pm for priority adults at 406 Elizabeth St., Utica**

**All immunizations will be given by appointment. To make an appointment call 798-5747.**

*“Everyone will be given an appointment within a half-hour time frame which should eliminate long lines and inordinate waiting periods, Picente said.*

The Health Department also announced that the H1N1 immunization Clinic scheduled for Saturday, November 21<sup>st</sup> from 10 am to 2 pm is now closed since all available time slots have been filled.

For more information on H1N1 visit our web site at [ocgov.net](http://ocgov.net) or call the Flu Information ‘Hotline’ at 798-3600.