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**SEDGWICK COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT PROVIDES
H1N1 VACCINE TO LOCAL SCHOOLS**

(Sedgwick County, Kansas) – In September, the Sedgwick County Health Department announced a partnership with many area schools to provide H1N1 vaccine clinics once vaccine became available. In the next two weeks, the Sedgwick County Health Department will be greatly expanding its offering of H1N1 vaccine to partner schools.

The schools currently agreeing to provide H1N1 vaccine through school nurse clinics:

- Annoor Islamic School
- Bishop Carroll Catholic High School
- Cheney USD 268
- Clearwater USD 264
- Derby USD 260
- Friends University
- Goddard USD 265
- Haysville USD 261
- Holy Cross Lutheran
- Kapaun Mt. Carmel Catholic High School
- Maize USD 266
- Newman University
- Renwick USD 267
- Valley Center USD 262
- Wichita Adventist Christian Academy
- Wichita Collegiate School
- Wichita State University
- Wichita USD 259

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The schools/districts listed will only be providing vaccine to their students. It is not mandatory for any student to receive the H1N1 vaccine; the school clinics merely offer the vaccine in the most convenient place possible for one of the priority vaccine groups (youth).

“Young people are one of the most vulnerable to this illness. For this reason, it is imperative we vaccinate the youth of our community as quickly as possible,” stated Sedgwick County Health Department Director Claudia Blackburn.

If your child attends one of the schools listed and you would like him/her to receive the flu vaccine, you must sign a consent form. If your child has not brought a consent form home, you can download one from www.sedgwickcounty.org. Once on the Web site, click the link “up-to-date information on H1N1 for Sedgwick County.” Besides the consent form, you can also view a calendar of upcoming School Located Vaccination Clinics (SLVC). **The Health Department will not send releases listing each school clinic as they are scheduled.** The order of school-based clinics was determined by a lottery system, which was conducted in September.

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Media Note: This information is representative of the H1N1 Response in Sedgwick County. Individuals who do not live in Sedgwick County should check with their local health department to find out more about their county’s H1N1 response process.