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TITLE: **Adult Flu Clinics**

CONTENT:

Pike County Health Department will hold the first public **adult** flu vaccination clinic on Thursday, October 1st. The clinic will be held at the Pike County Health Department, 606 W. Adams Street, Pittsfield from 9:00 am until 4:30 pm. The clinic will run through the lunch hour.

Additional adult flu vaccination clinics will be held on Thursdays in October from 9:00am until 4:30pm. These additional adult flu vaccination clinic dates are: October 8th, October 15th, October 22nd, and October 29th. These are walk-in clinics with no appointment needed.

Entrance to and parking for the flu clinic will be located in the gravel parking lot off of Adams Street across from the hospital. To Exit the parking area, use the alley beside the health department.

Watch for signs to help with parking and entering the building.

For those unable to get out of their car, a drive-up service is available. For shut-ins, Pike County Health Department Home Health nurses can come to your home and administer the flu vaccination. Please call the health department at 285-4407 for details on these services.

The cost of the influenza vaccine is \$30.00 for adults (or billed to Medicare or Medicaid, if applicable). Cash, checks or credit cards are accepted.

The CDC recommends everyone six months and older receive the flu vaccine. People at high risk of serious flu complications, including young children; pregnant women; people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes or heart and lung disease; and people 65 years and older should make getting vaccinated a priority.

The flu vaccine is made in the same way as past flu vaccines and is approved by the FDA as usual. An average of 100 million doses of influenza vaccine is used in the United States each year and flu vaccine has an excellent safety record.

The flu season typically runs from October through May with a peak in January. Immunity after the flu shot is expected to last a year.

For more information, contact Nancy Halpin, RN at Pike County Health Department, 285-4407, extension 124

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