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TITLE: Adult Flu Clinics

CONTENT:

Pike County Health Department will hold the first public **adult** flu vaccination clinic on Wednesday, October 10th. 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.

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

Additional adult flu vaccination clinics will be held on the following Wednesdays from 9:00 am until 4:30 pm: October 17th, October 24th, October 31st, and November 7th. These are walk-in clinics with no appointment needed.

For those unable to get out of their car, a drive-up service at PCHD 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 these services.

The cost of the influenza vaccine is \$35.00 for adults (or billed to Medicare or Medicaid with no cost to the client). Cash, checks or credit cards are accepted. **Insurance billing for most private insurance plans is available this year!**

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. **High Dose flu vaccine is available for those 65 years and older.**

The flu vaccine is made in the same way as past flu vaccines and is approved by the FDA. 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 receiving the flu shot is expected to last throughout the flu season.

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

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