



# News Release

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## Mass immunization clinics scheduled for tomorrow, Friday, November 20, 2009

Central Health wishes to advise the public that mass immunization clinics have been added for Friday, November 20, 2009.

**Please note that all clinics on this day will offer unadjuvanted vaccine only.** This vaccine is approved for use for individuals aged 10 to 64 years unless they have a compromised immune system. Therefore, mass immunization clinics scheduled for tomorrow are open to anyone fitting the criteria listed below who have not yet been immunized:

- People 10 years of age up to but not including 65 years of age with chronic medical illness such as: diabetes, cardiac disease, blood disorders, bowel diseases, hypertension, epilepsy, cancer and thyroid disease; and, chronic respiratory conditions such as: asthma, chronic bronchitis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) or cystic fibrosis.
- Individuals under 65 years of age with compromised respiratory function due to a physical, neurological or muscular disorder [e.g. ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease), Multiple Sclerosis (MS), Spina Bifida, Muscular Dystrophy, quadriplegia, paraplegia].
- Pregnant women.
- Parents or other primary care providers (up to two per child) of children under the age of six months and of immunocompromised individuals (up to and including 24 years of age) who cannot themselves be vaccinated.
- Individuals undergoing active cancer treatment (chemotherapy or radiation).
- Pre-transplant patients on a wait list.
- Post-transplant patients.
- Hospital in-patients less than 65 years of age with one or more chronic health conditions.

Please note, as per previous announcements, in the central region **grades seven to nine will continue to be immunized in school on Friday, November 20, 2009** as per the arrangements made by the Nova Central School District.

Any person meeting any of the criteria listed above can attend the following mass immunization clinics:

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Community</b>	<b>Location</b>
Friday, November 20 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Lewisporte	Pentecostal Church 362 Main Street
Friday, November 20 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	Baie Verte	Outpatient department at Baie Verte Peninsula Health Centre
Friday, November 20 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Botwood	Roman Catholic Church Hall
Friday, November 20 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Grand Falls-Windsor	Beaumont Armory 1A Memorial Ave
Friday, November 20 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.	Gander	Pentecostal Church 59 Elizabeth Drive
Friday, November 20 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	St. Alban's	Public Health Office
Friday, November 20 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.	Twillingate	Central United Church Christian Education Centre

This schedule, and any changes to it, will be available on Central Health's website at [www.centralhealth.nl.ca](http://www.centralhealth.nl.ca)

Members of the public are reminded that they need to bring their MCP card with them to register at mass immunization clinics. Also, children must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian who can sign a legal consent form for them to receive the H1N1 vaccine.

For further information, please contact the Central Health Pandemic Information Line at 1-877-311-2613.