

## MEDIA RELEASE



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### NEWS RELEASE

#### “Drive-thru Seasonal Flu Clinic”

##### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**OTTAWA, IL** – With flu season quickly approaching, the LaSalle County Health Department will be holding a drive-thru flu shot clinic on Saturday, September 19th. The drive-thru clinic will make it more convenient and safer due to COVID-19 restrictions still in effect. This Fall and Winter, getting a seasonal flu vaccine will be more important than ever for protecting your health and the health of those around you. The drive-thru clinic is open to the public, no appointment necessary. The clinic is scheduled from 10:00 am -1:00 pm Saturday and will be held at the LaSalle County Governmental Complex, located at 707 Etna Road, Ottawa, IL. Recipients of the flu vaccine are asked to wear a mask and a short- sleeved shirt. For easy access please sit with your preferred arm facing the window.

To keep the flow of the drive-thru clinic and to save time we are asking all participants to please pre-register. To pre-register please go to our website at [www.lasallecounty.org](http://www.lasallecounty.org). Pre-registration ends Friday at 3:30 pm. We offer insurance billing or cash only payment. Debit or credit cards **will not** be accepted. The fee for the seasonal flu shot will be \$25. The fee for influenza High Dose will be \$50. Most insurances will be accepted. **You must have your insurance card with you and a photo ID.** No Doctors order is required. We will be vaccinating only clients 19 years of age and older. Please call to schedule appointments for your child to receive their flu shots. No pneumonia vaccines available at this event. All LaSalle County Health Department influenza vaccines are preservative free.

To lessen your chances of developing the flu, adults and children need to practice good hygiene measures. Teach the importance of covering your mouth when coughing or sneezing, and educate children about hand to mucous membrane transmission. One of the best ways to protect yourself and your children is through frequent and thorough hand washing. People who are exhibiting “flu-like” symptoms should stay home from work, out of *childcare* and school to minimize transmission.

Remember the 3 C's: clean, cover, and contain. Clean – frequently wash your hands with soap and warm water. Cover – cover your cough and sneeze. Contain – contain your germs by staying home if you are sick. For more information on influenza you can call 1-815-433-3366 or you may visit our website at [www.lasallecounty.org](http://www.lasallecounty.org). Or like us on Facebook/Twitter.

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