



COUNTY OF SAN DIEGO NEWS RELEASE

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H1N1 INFLUENZA WEEKLY UPDATE

The County of San Diego Health and Human Services Agency (HHS) reports two additional people have died and tested positive for H1N1. This does not mean H1N1 has been determined to be the cause of death, which is established by the attending physician or the Medical Examiner.

The deceased are:

- A 57-year-old-male with no underlying medical conditions
- A 65-year-old female with underlying medical conditions

The total number of people who have tested positive for H1N1 and died locally is 47. Forty individuals were San Diego County residents while the other seven were non-residents visiting our community at the time of their death. San Diego County has had 673 hospitalized cases of H1N1 to date.

H1N1 VACCINE UPDATE

The County of San Diego has received an additional small shipment of H1N1 vaccine. Each of the County's seven immunization sites have 1000 doses of injectable vaccine which have been manufactured for those four years of age and older and 500 doses of nasal mist vaccine which has been manufactured for healthy individuals 2- through 49-years-old who are not pregnant.

Due to the types and the limited amounts of vaccine received, the vaccine is being prioritized for use in the CDC priority groups of:

- children and young adults 2 to 24 years old;
- adults 25 to 64 years old with chronic medical conditions;
- household contacts (over 2 years of age) of infants less than 6 months old; and
- health care workers.

The vaccine will be provided on a first-come, first-served basis.

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The County also received approximately 23,000 doses of H1N1 vaccine that will be used for school-located clinics.

County residents are urged to call their regular medical provider to schedule an appointment for the H1N1 vaccine. Orders for private providers have been submitted to the state and are expected to arrive within the next seven to 21 days. If your medical provider has not ordered H1N1 vaccine, and you are within the priority groups listed above, call 2-1-1 to check on vaccine availability at a County site. Hours of operations at County sites have changed and differ from location to location, please visit www.sdcounty.ca.gov or call 2-1-1 to obtain this information.

Additional shipments of H1N1 vaccine from the state are expected to continue to both the County and private providers.

Please visit www.sdcounty.ca.gov or call 2-1-1 for additional information on H1N1 influenza

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