



## Ulster County Health Department

### Ulster County Health Department to Offer H1N1 Flu Vaccine to High Priority Residents Free of Charge

Ulster County Executive Mike Hein and Health Department Director La Mar Hasbrouck, M.D., M.P.H., announced today that the county will be offering free H1N1 flu vaccine clinics for county residents during the week of December 14th through 18th. No appointments are necessary. Clinics are for high risk persons only.\* The clinics will be held as follows:

Monday, December 14	3:30-9:30 pm	Edson Elementary 116 Merilina Avenue Kingston, New York 12401
Tuesday, December 15	3:30-9:30 pm.	New Paltz Middle School 196 Main Street New Paltz, New York 12561

Other clinics planned for Saugerties, Ellenville and Boiceville on Wednesday, December 16, through Friday, December 18, will be announced beginning at 10:00 p.m. the evening before each clinic on the Health Department's website. Residents are advised to use any of the following methods to learn where and when the clinics will be held. \*\*

- Local radio stations
- United Way's free telephone service, 211 or 1-800-899-1479
- Flu Hotline 340-3093
- Website: [www.UlsterCountyNY.gov/health](http://www.UlsterCountyNY.gov/health)

**\* Individuals in priority groups recommended to receive the H1N1 flu vaccine are:**

- Pregnant women;
- Children and young people age 6 months to 24 years old;
- People who live with or care for children younger than six months of age; and
- Persons age 25-64 who have a chronic medical condition (such as asthma, lung, heart, liver, or kidney disease, diabetes, neurological conditions, neuromuscular disorders and persons with a weakened immune system)
- Health care workers and emergency medical services personnel (EMS)

When it is determined by New York State Department of Health that the most high-risk people have been vaccinated, it is anticipated that others will be able to get immunized.

\*\* Plans are subject to change depending on the supply of H1N1 flu vaccine.