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## Door County Public Health Department News Release

### Flu Vaccine Clinics Set by Door County Public Health Department

Influenza (flu) can be a very serious disease with many complications. Symptoms of influenza include fever, muscle aches, sore throat, and a non-productive cough. More serious illness can occur if pneumonia follows.

According to the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), everyone 6 months and older should get a flu vaccine this fall. Flu vaccines are designed to protect against the main flu viruses that research suggests will be the most common during the upcoming season.

The health department will be giving the quadrivalent vaccine this year, which includes protection from four different viruses. For years, flu vaccines were designed to protect against three different flu viruses (trivalent). By adding another B virus to the vaccine, quadrivalent vaccines may give broader protection.

Most healthy adults may be able to infect others beginning 1 day **before** symptoms develop and up to 5 to 7 days **after** becoming sick. Children may pass the virus for longer than 7 days. Symptoms start 1 to 4 days after the virus enters the body. **That means that you may be able to pass on the flu to someone else before you know you are sick, as well as while you are sick.** Some persons can be infected with the flu virus but have no symptoms. During this time, those persons may still spread the virus to others. For additional information, check out the CDC’s website: [www.cdc.gov/flu/](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/).

Rhonda Kolberg, Door County Health Officer, stated: “Flu viruses are constantly changing. Each flu season, different flu viruses can spread. Getting vaccinated with the flu vaccine every season protects against the influenza viruses that research indicates will cause the most illness this season. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends the flu vaccine as the first and most important step in preventing flu.”

It is suggested that participants wear clothing with short sleeves to the clinics. There will be a \$36.00 fee for the vaccine for adults. For adults with Medicare, Part B covers the cost of the vaccine; and individuals with traditional Medicare Part B, Humana Medicare Advantage Plan, or United Health Care Medicare Advantage Plan are requested to bring their insurance cards to the clinic site.

It is recommended that all children ages 6 months – 18 years receive flu vaccine each year. **Children aged 6 months through 18 years, who are eligible for BadgerCare or Medicaid, OR are Native American or Alaskan Native, OR do not have insurance, can receive the vaccine free-of-cost to them at the Health Department as long as supplies last.**

Please see the attached flyer with all clinic dates and times listed.

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**Door County Public Health Department  
Seasonal Flu Vaccine Clinics for 2017**

**Flu Vaccine Clinics for **Adults****

DAY	DATE	PLACE	TIME
Thursday	October 5	Washington Island Community Center	10:00-11:30 am & 1:00-2:30 pm
Friday	October 6	Senior Resource Center 832 North 14 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, Sturgeon Bay	1:00 pm – 2:00 pm
Thursday	October 12	Bailey's Harbor Town Hall 2392 County Road F, Bailey's Harbor	11:00 am – 12:00 pm
Thursday	October 12	Brussels Community Center 1366 Junction Road, Brussels	5:00-6:00 pm
Tuesday	October 17	Door County Government Center – Peninsula Room—421 Nebraska Street, Sturgeon Bay	4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Friday	October 20	Liberty Grove Town Hall 11161 Old Stage Road, Sister Bay	11:00 am – 12:00 pm

❖ Fee for flu vaccine is **\$36.00** cash, check, or **traditional Medicare Part B, Humana Medicare Advantage Plan, or United Health Care Medicare Advantage Plan.**

**Flu Vaccine Clinics for **Children**—All by Appointment, Call 746-2234**

- Children aged 6 months through 18 years, who are eligible for BadgerCare, or do not have health insurance, or are Native American or Alaskan natives can receive the vaccine free-of-cost to them at the Health Department as long as supplies last.
- Please check with your insurance company to find out what they cover.
- Flu vaccine injection available for ages 6 months – 18 years old.
- Bring Immunization records to clinic, & parent or guardian must sign for children's immunization.

**Flu Vaccine Available for **Adults and/or Children** at  
Regularly Scheduled Immunization Clinics, September— May**

Dates: Sept. — May	Place	Day of Week	Time
<b>By Appointment Only, Call 920-746-2234</b>	Door County Public Health Department, Government Center, 421 Nebraska St., Sturgeon Bay	Wednesday	10:00—11:30 am & 1:30—4 pm

*For more information call Door County Public Health Department at (920) 746-2234. Check for updates to the Flu Vaccine Schedule at [www.co.door.wi.gov](http://www.co.door.wi.gov).*