

# News Release

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## H1N1 Vaccine Distribution for Children Ages 2 Years–4 Years

STAMFORD, CT / Oct. 15, 2009 – The Stamford Department of Health and Social Services will be offering FREE H1N1 intranasal spray vaccinations to ALL healthy children ages two years to four years next week. Parents or guardians are to call the Stamford Department of Health between the hours of 9:00am – 11:00am and 1:30pm to 3:30pm to schedule an appointment **(977-6172)**.

The intranasal vaccine has received federal approval for use in healthy persons 2 years – 49 years of age, who are NOT pregnant. The initial shipment of vaccine is in limited supply; therefore, the Stamford Department of Health and Social Services will vaccinate healthy children two years to four years of age, who are at greater risk for severe illness if they contract the H1N1 (swine) flu.

“We urge parents to have children vaccinated against H1N1 influenza since they are at greater risk of complications from the H1N1 flu”, according to Dr. Johnnie A. Lee, Director of Health.

The Stamford Department of Health and Social Services expects to receive additional vaccine in the upcoming weeks and will continue to distribute H1N1 vaccine as it becomes available. Information on vaccine allocation will be posted on the City of Stamford’s website ([www.CityOfStamford.org](http://www.CityOfStamford.org)), to the media, and on the Stamford H1N1 Hotline (977-4213).

### **Additional resources for information on H1N1 Information:**

- Stamford H1N1 Flu Vaccine Hotline: (203)977-4213
- Stamford Health Department: Phone number for scheduling H1N1 vaccination appointments: **977-6172**
- City of Stamford website: [www.cityofstamford.org](http://www.cityofstamford.org)
- The Department of Public Health website at <http://www.ct.gov/ct.fluwatch>
- The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention website [at http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu)