

November 4, 2020

<u>Key Points:</u>

- * STANDARD-DOSE FLU SHOTS NOW RESTOCKED
- * FLU SHOT CLINICS SCHEDULED: NOVEMBER 10 & 17
- * HIGH-DOSE FLU SHOTS STILL UNAVAILABLE

Dear Patients,

We are pleased to report that we have now been appropriately restocked with "regular" flu shots (standard-dose quadrivalent influenza vaccine, appropriate for all patients over 6 months old). Once again, we do apologize for any delays or inconvenience that the recent short-supply of flu shots has caused our patients; all we can say is that we're doing our best, as is Public Health!

As we now should be fully stocked for the season, we are rescheduling our planned Flu Shot Clinics at this time:

FLU SHOT CLINICS	
Tuesday November 10 - 2:00-5:00pm - PRIORITY: KIDS & FAMILIES	
Last name T-Z:	2:00 - 2:45
Last name N-S:	2:45 - 3:30
Last name F-M:	3:30 - 4:15
Last name A-E:	4:15 - 5:00
Tuesday November 17 - 2:00-5:00pm - OPEN	
Last name T-Z:	2:00 - 2:45
Last name N-S:	2:45 - 3:30
Last name F-M:	3:30 - 4:15
Last name A-E:	4:15 - 5:00



REMINDERS:

- ***PLEASE <u>DO NOT</u> COME TO FLU SHOT CLINICS/OUR OFFICE IF YOU ARE FEELING SICK***
- MASKS = MANDATORY: Everyone 2-years-old and over should be wearing a mask!
- CLINIC FLOW & ORGANIZATION: As was the case for our initial Flu Clinic: COVID restrictions mean patients will not be able to congregate in our waiting room or in the front foyer of our building. We will have patients move through our office (and our building) in a one-way line, such that patients will enter the clinic from the front door, register, receive their shot, and then exit from the back of the building. Floor signs (and our staff) will help ensure this process flows in an orderly and efficient manner. However, given physical distancing, this might mean that patients in line will have to wait outside the building for a short time. Once again, dress ready to bare your arm, but also to brave the elements if necessary!
- **DESIGNATED TIME SLOTS:** Likewise, we once again ask that, where possible, patients plan to arrive according to the time slot assigned alphabetically by last names. This will help avoid crowding and longer lines at any given time.
- **FLU SHOTS ONLY:** Flu Shot Clinics are for <u>*flu shots only*</u> (no other health concerns will be addressed). Likewise, clinics are for our own registered patients only (as our limited supply of vaccines can not be offered to the general public).
- **HIGH-DOSE (HD) FLU SHOTS UNAVAILABLE:** Unfortunately, we still do not have any HD flu shots (for Seniors >65 years old) available in our clinic, and are unsure if or when we will be supplied with more. Once again, we hope to provide further updates should they become available.
- **CONTINUITY OF CARE:** As always, if you do receive your flu shot somewhere other than our clinic, we encourage you to let us know so that we can update your chart accordingly.

Sincerely,

GFHC