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Seasonal Flu Clinics in October

As part one of the three-phased approach to influenza immunization this year, seasonal flu vaccine will be available in October **to persons 65 and over and residents of long-term care homes** in Renfrew County and District.

The seasonal flu vaccine is currently being distributed by the Renfrew County and District Health Unit to physicians, hospitals and long-term care homes for administration to these target populations.

The Health Unit will also be offering seasonal flu vaccine to people 65 years of age and over at the following 'pick-up clinics':

- Barry's Bay Area
St Francis Memorial Hospital, Barry's Bay
October 16 from 10 am to 1 pm
- Eganville and Area
Grace Lutheran Church Hall, Eganville
October 21 from 1 pm to 4 pm
- Pembroke Area
Pembroke Mall - East
October 23 from 10 am to 3 pm
- North Renfrew Area
Petawawa Centennial Family Health Centre, Petawawa
October 28 from 10 am to 3 pm
- Renfrew/Arnprior Area
St Francis Xavier Parish Hall, Renfrew
October 30 from 10 am to 3 pm

"We are hopeful that we will receive the pH1N1 vaccine in time for our established clinics in November as posted on our website", said Pat Ripmeester, Coordinator at the Health Unit, "however, we encourage the public to check our website at www.rcdhu.com or call the Health Info Line at 613-735-8666 or 1-800-267-1097, ext. 666 for the most recent updates, as clinics are dependent on the vaccine availability."

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