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### **Department of Health, FluBusters Host H1N1 Clinics in Albuquerque on Saturday 2,000 Vaccine Doses Available**

(Santa Fe) -- The New Mexico Department of Health and FluBusters are holding two clinics for H1N1 vaccination on Saturday, January 9 in Albuquerque. There are 1,000 doses at each site and the clinics are offering vaccine on a first-come, first-serve basis. Vaccine is available to all New Mexicans.

Department of Health public health staff will give vaccine from 1 to 4 p.m. at the Stanford Public Health Office, 1111 Stanford, located near the UNM Law Center. Public Health staff is working with the national provider, FluBusters, to provide vaccine from noon to 7:45 p.m. at Sam's Club, 10600 Coors Blvd Bypass NW. You can visit the FluBusters website at [www.flubusters.com](http://www.flubusters.com) and click on Flu Shot Locator in the middle of the right side of the screen, or call 1-866-358-2878 for more information.

"We could not have vaccinated the thousands of people in Bernalillo County as efficiently as we did without the partnership of the private providers and the City of Albuquerque," said Margy Wienbar, the Department of Health's Public Health Regional Director. "The Call Center allowed us to efficiently take names and numbers and schedule people for appointments. The people who attended our scheduled clinics were pleased with how efficient and friendly the services were. Private providers are continuing to vaccinate people as well. We're very proud of all efforts in Bernalillo County to protect people from H1N1."

The 311 Call Center in Albuquerque has scheduled H1N1 vaccinations for anyone who has called in the past few weeks. Vaccinations are being done by appointment at a variety of locations. Beginning Jan. 12, the 311 Call Center will refer callers to their local public health offices for H1N1 vaccination.

The Department of Health encourages people to call their primary healthcare providers first to ask if they are providing H1N1 vaccine. H1N1 vaccine arrives in New Mexico weekly, so it's important to check often. People without insurance or a healthcare provider, or whose provider will not offer the H1N1 vaccine, can get the vaccine from a local public health office. Call your local public health office first to check the availability of H1N1 vaccine. Public health offices are listed in the phonebook's blue pages under state government or online at [www.nmhealth.org](http://www.nmhealth.org).

There have been 50 deaths and 982 hospitalizations related to H1N1 in New Mexico since April 2009.

For more information, call New Mexico's H1N1 Toll Free Hotline: 1-877-304-4161 or look up <https://www.nmhealth.org/H1N1>. Statewide flu clinics are listed at [www.nmivc.org/cliniclist.php](http://www.nmivc.org/cliniclist.php)