

Columbia County Department of Health

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Amended – Please note the link for the October 8th Clinic at Palatine Park in Germantown has been updated.

The Columbia County Department of Health has received the seasonal flu vaccine and has scheduled community drive-thru clinics for all Columbia County residents 2 years and older who would like a flu shot. Pre-registration is required to receive your Flu shot on the date you want to attend. If you do not register ahead of time, you cannot be vaccinated at that clinic. A separate registration form must be completed for each individual. Photo ID is required for each adult vaccinated.

If you are sick with any symptoms associated with Flu or COVID-19 illness (fever, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, sore throat, chills, new loss of taste or smell, or extreme headache), please **DO NOT** come to the drive-thru clinic; call your primary care doctor or call our office at 518-828-3358 for further guidance.

You can register for a clinic by going to the Columbia County Department of Health website <u>www.columbiacountynyhealth.com</u> and clicking on the link for the clinic you would like to get your flu shot. If you do not have access to the internet you can call the drive-thru Influenza clinic registration message line at 518-828-3358 extension 1310. Leave your name and phone number and a staff member will contact you to complete the registration.

Wednesday, September 23, 2020 9:00 – 11:00 am Roe Jan Library Route 22 Hillsdale NY 12529 https://forms.gle/M4uNDz7fMEMHadkP9

Wednesday September 30, 2020 9:00 am - 11:00 am Chatham Fair Grounds 182 Hudson Avenue Chatham NY 12037 https://forms.gle/xNfVG4JUJkrRc8419

Saturday, October 3, 2020 9:00 – 12:00 pm Columbia-Greene Community College Upper parking Lot 4400 Route 23, Hudson NY 12534 https://forms.gle/XKnDGdQ4kGREngBN6 Thursday, October 8, 2020 9:00 am – 11:00 am Palantine Park Palantine Park Road Germantown NY 12526 https://forms.gle/ipJFDTtMxY5Xpndz9

Saturday, October 17, 2020 9:00 am – 11:00 am Ichabod Crane School 2910 US Route 9 Valatie NY 12184 https://forms.gle/AsNQxZm3EVp9eJbP9

Thursday, October 22, 2020 10:00 am – 12:00 noon New Lebanon Town Hall 14755 NY – 22 New Lebanon NY 12125 https://forms.gle/xPpFmaV4esSiZz1S6

The Health Department will accept the following insurance plans: Blue Shield of North East New York, CDPHP, Fidelis, Medicare Part B, MVP, Medicaid, and United Health Care. Other Senior Plans may be billed including some Blue Cross Blue Shield Plans. If you are uninsured or underinsured you may be eligible for a lower fee or a no fee for the Flu vaccine.

All others are expected to pay a fee of \$ 42.00 for the flu vaccine. Exact cash amount or checks accepted. No debit or credit cards.

Flu vaccine will be also be offered by appointment only at the regularly scheduled Immunization clinic every Tuesday from 1:00-3:30 pm at the Columbia County Health Department located at 325 Columbia Street, Hudson, NY on the 1st floor. An evening Immunization clinic is also available on the 3rd Tuesday of each month from 4:00-6:00 pm. All clinics are by appointment only.

Flu vaccine is the best protection we have from the flu and its complications. Flu vaccine also helps prevent spreading flu from person to person. Talk to your doctor before getting the flu shot if you ever had a serious allergic reaction to eggs or to a previous flu shot, or have a history of Guillian-Barre Syndrome.