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Branson High-Risk Seasonal Flu Shot Clinic Scheduled

Taney County Health Department has scheduled a high-risk “seasonal” flu shot clinic on Thursday, October 22 at the Branson Rec Plex from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. The Rec Plex is located at 1500 Branson Hills Parkway, Branson.

This vaccination offers protection against the seasonal flu and will not protect against the H1N1 virus. A separate vaccination will be needed for protection against the H1N1 when it becomes available.

The clinic is open to Taney County residents who are considered to be at high-risk of developing complications from the flu. Individuals considered high-risk include adults age 65 or older, someone with a chronic illness or someone who lives with or cares for individual with a chronic illness, anyone living with or caring for children 6 months to five years of age and pregnant women. Vaccine will not be available for children at this clinic.

Individuals who have Medicare should bring their card to the clinic along with a picture ID. Medicare will cover the cost of the vaccine, with no out of pocket expense for the recipient.

Vaccine for children and individuals unable to attend this scheduled clinic will be available later. As the vaccine becomes available, the department will make that information available to the public.

If you have any questions regarding the upcoming clinic or the H1N1 influenza, please call Branson office at (417) 334-4544, Forsyth office at (417) 546-4725 or visit our website at www.taneycohealth.org.
