



North Central District Health Department

Protecting Henry, Shelby, Spencer, and Trimble Counties

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North Central District Health Department will be having free drive thru flu shot clinics in Henry, Shelby, Spencer, and Trimble Counties. The vaccine will be available for age 6 months or older while supplies last.

Shelbyville, KY – North Central District Health Department is encouraging all members of the community to receive the flu vaccination this year because the flu has similar symptoms as COVID 19. Everyone, 6 months and older, should receive the flu vaccine to provide protection against spreading the seasonal flu virus and prevent potentially serious complications.

“Everyone should receive the flu shot this year. Getting this vaccine could prevent the flu and complications from this virus. It is more important, this year, to get the vaccine because contracting flu and COVID 19 at the same time could be catastrophic.”, said Roanya Rice, Public Health Director of NCDHD.

Influenza (Flu) is a contagious respiratory illness that may have serious outcomes including hospitalization and death, especially in high-risk individuals. High-risk groups include people 65 years and older, pregnant women, young children, and individuals suffering from (asthma, diabetes, cancer, etc.).

North Central District will be providing flu vaccinations with drive-thru flu shot clinics that will be offered in four locations including Henry, Shelby, Spencer, and Trimble Counties. Drive-up flu clinics will ensure social distancing along with providing fast and safe service to the community; masks will be required at this event. Individuals wanting to pre-fill out a flu vaccination release form before the event, the form can be found at <https://www.ncdhd.com/influenza>. The Flu vaccination will be provided to everyone 6 months and older with a limited supply of high dose vaccine; no appointment will be needed, but this event will be first come first served until the supply of vaccine is exhausted. NCDHD will only be providing flu shots in the clinic after these dates if the supply of vaccine is not exhausted and will be sliding scale based on income or billed to insurance. Therefore, if someone wants to be vaccinated by the health department, it is highly recommended that they attend one of these events.

Locations:

- **Henry County Health Department** - 75 Park Road, New Castle, KY 40050
- October 1, 2020 from 11:00 am – 2:00 pm
- **Trimble County Health Department** - 138 Miller Lane, Bedford, KY 40006
- October 1, 2020 from 11:00 am- 2:00 pm
- **Spencer County -Country Mart** - 913 Taylorsville Road, Taylorsville, KY 40071
- October 8, 2020 from 3:30 pm- 6:30 pm
- **Shelby County Health Department** - 615 11th Street, Shelbyville, KY 40065
- October 10, 2020 from 9:30 am- 12:30 pm

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