## News Release

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## **Knox County Health Department** to host community flu shots clinics

Despite the warmer weather lately, it's not too early to start thinking about getting a flu shot. Already, there have been several reported cases of Influenza A including a pediatric case in Knox County. The Knox County Health Department will once again host several community flu shot clinics. All of the clinics are on a walk-in basis, no appointment is needed.

At each community clinic, flu shots will be available for adults and children, ages 6 mos. and older. Medicaid, Medicare and most forms of insurance will be accepted for payment. Otherwise, the cost for the flu shot is \$35 and can be paid in cash or by check. Clinic attendees need to bring their ID and medical/insurance card.

## Dates, times and locations for the community flu clinics are:

Fri., Sept. 27	9 - 11 a.m.	<b>Centerburg Senior Center</b>
Thu., Oct. 3	9 - 11 a.m.	St. Luke's Community Center in Danville
Thu., Oct. 3	2 - 4 p.m.	Apple Valley POA Bldg.
Fri., Oct. 4	10 a.m noon	Fredericktown Community Library
Sat., Oct. 5	8 a.m noon	Knox County Health Dept.
Wed, Oct. 9	9 - 11 a.m.	The Living Center
Sat., Oct. 12	10 a.m noon	Covenant Church
Tue., Oct. 15	4-6 p.m.	Knox County Health Dept.
Wed., Oct. 16	11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.	<b>Martinsburg Activity Center</b>
Sat., Nov. 2	8 a.m. – noon	Knox County Health Dept.
Tue., Nov. 19	4-6 p.m.	Knox County Health Dept.

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If someone is unable to walk into a community clinic to get a shot, a nurse will be available to go outside to administer the shot while the person is in their vehicle. Someone will need to come in to the clinic to advise the nursing staff and complete paperwork. There are no restrictions for age or health conditions. Health department officials said they have plenty of vaccine.

In addition to the community clinics, the health department is currently offering flu shots at the Community Health Center, Monday – Friday, from 8 a.m.- noon and 1-4 p.m. Appointments are recommended, but walk-ins are welcome. The health center is located inside the health department, 11660 Upper Gilchrist Rd., across from the radio station.

There will be no drive-thru clinic this year.

The health department will also provide flu shots to anyone in Knox County who is homebound and unable to attend a flu shot clinic. To schedule a flu shot for a homebound person, call Starr Roden, RN, at 740-392-2200, Ext. 2238.

