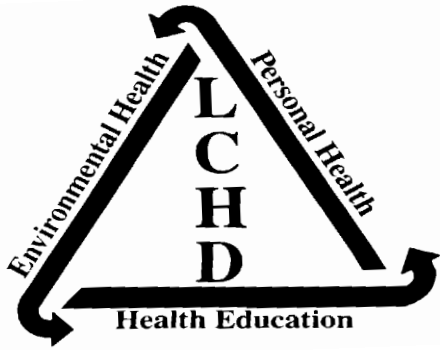


## MEDIA RELEASE



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### “Walk-In Flu Vaccination Available – No Appointment Needed”

**Ottawa, IL** - The LaSalle County Health Department is offering walk-in flu vaccination clinics. Flu vaccines will be available:

- Tuesday, September 26, 2023 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 3, 2023 1:00 p.m.-3:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, October 24, 2023 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

The Health Department is located at 717 Etna Rd., Ottawa.

Seasonal Influenza Vaccine and Influenza HD (High Dose) Vaccine for persons 65 and older are available. In addition, VFC (Vaccine for Children or CHIP (Children’s Health Insurance Program) Flu vaccine is available. This would be for children 6 months through 18 years of age who have Medicaid.

All LaSalle County Health Department influenza vaccines are preservative free. The fee for the seasonal flu shot will be \$25. The fee for influenza High Dose will be \$60.

We offer insurance billing or cash payment. **You must have your insurance card and a Photo ID with you.** No Doctor’s order is required. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

To lessen your chances of developing the flu, adults and children need to practice good hygiene measures. Teach the importance of covering your mouth when coughing or sneezing, and educate children about hand to mucous membrane transmission. One of the best ways to protect yourself and your children is through frequent and thorough hand washing. People who are exhibiting “flu-like” symptoms should stay home from work, out of childcare and school to minimize transmission.

Remember the 3 C’s: clean, cover, and contain:

- Clean** –frequently wash your hands with soap and warm water.
- Cover** –cover your cough and sneeze.
- Contain** –contain your germs by staying home if you are sick.

For additional information please contact the LaSalle County Health Department at 815-433-3366 or visit our website at [www.lasallecounty.org](http://www.lasallecounty.org). ###

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