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## Notice of Health Dept. H1N1 Nasal Spray Only Clinic

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Dear Parent/Guardian:

The Maplewood Health Department will conduct a special H1N1 vaccination clinic, **persons age 2 to 24 years only**, on Sunday November 1st from 1:00pm until 4:00pm at the Maplewood Town Hall. **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED.** 973-762-8120 x4400.

This clinic is to administer the H1N1 Intranasal "flu mist" type vaccine only. This vaccine is administered via a nasal spray. The manufacturer is MedImmune.

This nasal spray vaccine is only for children starting at age 2 who do **not** have any long term illness from heart disease, lung disease, asthma, recurrent wheezing, neurologic disease, liver disease, diabetes, anemia or other blood disorder or allergy to eggs or other flu vaccine. Children with these listed illnesses will need to be vaccinated with the injectable H1N1 vaccine. This injectable vaccine is expected to become available in a few weeks. More detailed information on the H1N1 vaccines can be found at [www.CDC.gov](http://www.CDC.gov), the Federal Centers for Disease Control. As per the CDC recommendation, "The nasal-spray vaccine is approved for use only in healthy people 2 years to 49 years who are not pregnant."

It is important to note that this nasal spray vaccine is a LIVE attenuated influenza vaccine. It should not be taken by persons with the illnesses listed above, pregnant women, and people over age 49, children or adolescents on aspirin therapy, persons who have had Guillain-Barre syndrome, kidney failure, and weakened immune system.

In order to allow for an orderly flow of patients at this clinic, preregistration is required. Telephone the Maplewood Health Department, 973-762-8120 x4400, to make an appointment.

Permission forms, Informed consent information and a "Screening Questionnaire for Intranasal Influenza Vaccination" will be available through the school offices and at the Maplewood Town Hall. Finally, many local Pediatricians will be receiving H1N1 vaccine in the next few weeks so your children may then be vaccinated at that site.

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