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Novel H1N1 Vaccine Clinics a Success Thanks to Volunteers

(Woodland, CA) – The recently held Novel H1N1 flu vaccine clinics in Yolo County were a tremendous success, in large part due to the numerous volunteers who staffed the clinics. Roughly 320 volunteers throughout Yolo and Sacramento counties donated many hours of their time to staff four vaccine clinics in the cities of Woodland, Davis, West Sacramento, and Winters, where collectively, 3,700 people received Novel H1N1 Influenza vaccine.

“Providing public vaccine clinics takes a great deal of human capital,” said Yolo County Human Resources Director Mindi Nunes who coordinated the volunteer effort. “We are grateful to the many Yolo County employees who donated their time, and especially to the community members from all corners of the county who came to our aid in this effort. We couldn’t have done it without them.”

“I attended the vaccine clinic in West Sacramento and can best describe it as a ‘well-oiled machine’,” said Yolo County Board of Supervisors Chair Mike McGowan. “Participants were treated to friendly faces that easily moved them through the lines and on their way. It was an impressive effort thanks to the generosity of our employees and residents who volunteered their precious time during a busy time of year.”

It is the intent of the Yolo County Health Department to hold additional Novel H1N1 flu vaccine clinics in January, pending receipt of vaccine. These clinics will be open to all members of the public, but specifically targeting children under the age of 10 requiring a booster shot. More information will follow on www.yolohealth.org and through other venues once clinics are scheduled.

“Beyond the volunteers required to conduct public vaccine clinics, we also received tremendous support from our city and school partners, the fire departments, UC Davis, the Red Cross and Raley’s Supermarket,” said Dr. Joseph Iser, Yolo County Health Department Director-Health Officer. “The Yolo County community truly came together for the benefit of public health.”

Volunteers will again be needed to staff additional Novel H1N1 flu vaccine clinics. For more information on volunteering or to sign up, e-mail: volunteer.coordinator@yolocounty.org.

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