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Vaccines for Children Offered November 21st in Trenton

Trenton- Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) will be offering children/adult vaccinations in addition to influenza (flu) shots on Tuesday, November 21st from 3:30 to 4:30 pm at Hitchcock County High School. Anyone six months and older are invited to get their flu or other shots.

"Vaccines for Children" is a program that provides immunizations to eligible children, 18 years old and younger. Eligibility is defined as those who are Medicaid eligible, uninsured, underinsured (health insurance does not provide coverage for childhood immunizations), and/or American Indian or Alaska Natives. A parent or guardian is required to attend the clinic with their child. If a parent is unable to attend, please contact SWNPHD for a proxy permission form.

SWNPHD was included in the Nebraska Immunization Program Title 317 funding that expands the available adult vaccines given for free. We can provide vaccines for adults (19 years & older) who are un-insured, underinsured (health insurance does not provide coverage for preventive shots) or do not have supplemental insurance with Medicare A or B. Shots covered include: flu (influenza), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, whooping cough), Hepatitis B and MMR (measles, mumps, rubella).

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department serves Chase, Dundy, Frontier, Furnas, Hayes, Hitchcock, Keith, Perkins and Red Willow counties. You can follow us on Facebook and Twitter or view our website at <u>www.swhealth.ne.gov</u>. Call us at (308) 345-4223 or stop in the office at 404 West 10th Street in McCook.

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