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First Delivery of H1N1 Vaccine Expected Next Week for LA County

Initial doses will be in FluMist® Nasal Spray form

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LOS ANGELES - First supplies of the pandemic H1N1 flu vaccine are estimated to arrive around October 9th-10th in some Los Angeles County clinics and doctor's offices.

The initial delivery of H1N1 vaccine is expected to be relatively small, and in FluMist® nasal spray form. Additional larger batches of vaccine, the majority of which will be in injection form, are scheduled to arrive every week. It is estimated that by

Flu Season News You Can Use Vaccine information and priority eligibility:

the end of October, doctors and other healthcare providers who ordered H1N1 vaccine should have received some doses.

"While the FluMist nasal spray vaccine may not be appropriate for everyone, we do encourage those who can receive this form of the vaccine to get it," said Jonathan E. Fielding, MD, MPH, Director of Public Health and Health Officer. "We especially encourage eligible, school-aged children to receive the FluMist H1N1 vaccine. We had expected to see an increase in flu cases once the school year started, and those predictions have come true. Most cases of the pandemic H1N1 flu continue to present mild to moderate symptoms, but some individuals have had serious complications."

Residents who are eligible and who fall into the priority groups for H1N1 vaccine are encouraged to contact their doctor or regular health care provider later in the month if they are interested in receiving the FluMist nasal spray H1N1 vaccine.

Those within H1N1 vaccine priority groups and who **are eligible** to receive FluMist include:

- young people aged two to 24 years of age, in good health
- healthcare and emergency service workers
- people who live with or care for infants less than six months of age

Because FluMist contains "live" virus it is **not** approved for:

- pregnant women,
- people with chronic health conditions or weakened immune systems
- people with a history of asthma or active wheezing

H1N1 vaccine injections (flu shots), which contain "killed" virus, can be given to all those in the priority groups for H1N1 vaccine. These doses are expected to arrive later this month. Residents who do not fall into any of the priority groups should be able to get the H1N1 vaccine later this fall.

Later this month, Public Health will begin providing H1N1 vaccine to residents



who are uninsured and do not have a regular health-care provider. A list of Public Health sites providing H1N1 vaccine will be available in mid-October. To find a non-Public Health clinic, pharmacy or health care provider offering either the FluMist nasal spray H1N1 vaccine or the seasonal flu vaccine, visit:

www.findaflushot.com

People who do not have access to the internet can call the LA County Info line at 2-1-1 from any landline or cell phone.

For more information about flu prevention and the priority groups for H1N1 vaccine, please visit our website at <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov>.

Message from the Secretary



June Loo
ENLA Board Secretary

Dear Emergency Network Los Angeles members, change is once again upon us. In a short period of time, both our Chair, Red Godfrey, and our Vice Chair, Alix Stayton have left their positions at their respective organizations. Although these were changes that ENLA was not expecting, we certainly have a lot of experience “rolling with the punches”, as they say, and that’s what we will continue to do.

Thanks to the small group that was able to attend the last board meeting in order to discuss these changes and to put temporary measures into place, insuring con-

sistent communication and functioning of ENLA as a whole.

For those of you who were unable to attend, please **note that we have agreed to continue the new morning meeting time (9am-11am), and have decided to hold ALL further meetings at the Salvation Army location (Silvercrest Residence 947 South Hoover Street Los Angeles, CA 90006).** This, we hope, will prevent further confusion and facilitate the largest participation each month.

Moving forward, I know that we will continue to do what

we do: provide preparedness information to the public and respond to disasters as we always have. The recent fires showed us that even during times of change, we are able to function as the VOAD of Los Angeles County: continuing to communicate, collaborate, and cooperate.

This newsletter issue will focus on H1N1 flu, as we look forward to being able to provide information and services to our beneficiaries to prevent and reduce illness.

All my best in your efforts to serve. Blessings!

June Loo

Featured Government Partner: Department of Animal Care and Control

About Us: Your DACC

YOUR DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL

The Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control is one of the largest and most progressive animal control agencies in the United States.

Our six animal shelters serve all unincorporated County areas and 50 contract cities. We cover more than 3,200 square miles of cities, deserts, beaches, and mountains; from the Antelope Valley in the north to the Palos Verdes Pen-

insula in the south; as far east as the border of San Bernardino County and west all the way to Thousand Oaks. We provide animal control and rescue services 24 hours a day, seven days a week in our service area.

Besides patrolling busy streets, back roads, beaches and canyons for lost, injured and abandoned animals, our animal control officers also sell dog licenses, conduct humane investigations whenever cruelty to animals is suspected, provide emergency rescues during natural disasters, and enforce all state and local animal control laws.

DACC Mission Statement

The Department of Animal Care & Control promotes and protects public safety and animal care through sheltering, pet placement programs, education and animal law enforcement.

DACC Purpose

Our purpose is to provide responsive, efficient and high quality animal care and control services that preserves and protects public and animal safety

DACC Philosophy

Our philosophy is to promote responsible pet ownership, compassion toward animals and safe human-animal interactions.

DACC Position

As the agency responsible for animal-related public safety, our mission is achieved through shared county values including professionalism, responsibility, compassion, commitment, integrity, accountability and community partnerships.



Join an ENLA Committee today

Our Annual General Meeting was a great success!

Since that time, several organizations have joined our ranks and begun participating in meetings, and communicating fire updates and information.

It's time to take it to the next level. During the Annual General Meeting, we announced the newly-formed committees and encouraged people to sign up immediately. Let's keep the momentum going! Committees are:

- Development
- Marketing
- Mass Care/Animal Care
- Communications
- Case Management
- Membership
- Donations Management
- Emotional and Spiritual Care
- Long Term Recovery
- Volunteer Management

Email info@enla.org for more information, or to be added to a committee roster. [Share your expertise with ENLA today!](#)

ENLA's Schedule of Events and Calendar

September 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

October 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

- September 17th @ 8:30am-11am

Board mtg.—open to all members.

@ Salvation Army Silvercrest Residence - Los Angeles

- October 8th @ 8:30am-11am

Board mtg.—open to all members.

@ Salvation Army Silvercrest Residence - Los Angeles

- October 15th starting at 10:15am

2009 Great Shake-Out

For more information, visit www.shakeout.org

Please visit www.enla.org for more event details

Check out the new, improved website!
www.ENLA.org



It's time for flu shots! Check with your regular health care provider, pharmacist, or your child's school for more information about receiving a vaccination.

A list of locations for vaccinations will be posted the second week of October here:

<http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/index.htm>

Don't forget, for most people it is safe to receive both a vaccine for the regular flu and the H1N1 virus at the same time.

Cover your sneeze/cough, stay home if you are sick, and wash your hands!

**For flu and health care services 24 hours a day,
7 days a week, dial 2-1-1!**

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Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster

Emergency Network Los Angeles



What is ENLA?

The #1 coordinating body for voluntary organizations active in a disaster in Los Angeles County!

Who We Are

Emergency Network Los Angeles, Inc. (ENLA) is a network of non-profit, community-based organizations (CBOs), and faith-based organizations (FBOs), throughout Los Angeles County. Collectively, these organizations provide assistance to individuals, families, and special needs populations following emergencies and disasters. ENLA is the VOAD for Los Angeles County, and is an affiliate of the National Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (NVOAD) and the Southern California VOAD.

Our Mission

ENLA's mission is to enhance the capacity of non-profit, community, and faith-based organizations, government agencies, and the private sector for preparedness, response and recovery to disasters in Los Angeles County by facilitating cooperation, communication, coordination, and collaboration.

Our Organization

ENLA is a California non-profit charitable corporation under IRS section 501(c)3. The organization is governed by a Board of Directors comprised of representatives from CBOs, FBOs, national disaster agencies including the American Red Cross and the Salvation Army, and non-voting government representatives.

ENLA Board of Directors

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