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Dear Healthcare Provider:

The Miami-Dade County Health Department is working with State and Federal partners to coordinate H1N1 (Swine) Flu 2009 vaccine delivery and administration within our community. The purpose of this letter is to make you aware of the H1N1 National Vaccination Distribution Program, and to solicit your intent to provide H1N1 vaccine to your staff and patients.

The Public Readiness and Emergency Preparedness (PREP) Act ensures that you and anyone in the chain of vaccine will receive immunity and have virtually no civil liability. Information About the PREP Act can be found at <http://www.hhs.gov/disasters/emergency/manmadedisasters/bioterrorism/medication-vaccine-qa.html>

Please note that recently the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP), an advisory committee to Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended that H1N1 (Swine) flu vaccine be made available first to the following five target groups: **1) pregnant women; 2) health care workers and emergency medical responders; 3) people who live with or care for infants under 6 months of age; 4) children and young adults from 6 months to 24 years; 5) people aged 25 to 64 years with underlying medical conditions (e.g. asthma, diabetes).** Further restrictions may apply depending upon vaccine availability.

Your participation requires that you enter into an agreement with the Florida Department of Health. For most, the agreement will be completed electronically through a simple registration process on the web-based "Florida SHOTS" (FL SHOTS) program. Registration as a FL SHOTS provider and a separate request for H1N1 vaccine can be completed at www.FLSHOTS.com. Smaller practices that do not require 100 doses or more will be handled by the local health department (see enclosed sheet). Training will be provided for those not familiar with FL SHOTS. You will not be required to enter the patient data into Florida SHOTS after you administer the vaccine. You will be expected to follow normal standard of care practices for documentation.

The vaccine is provided with its administration supplies at no cost to you or the patient. You may charge a fee, amount not yet determined, for the administration of the vaccine to the patient, health insurance plan, or other third party payer. To initiate partnering with our private practice providers we need to know a few facts. Please fill out and send the attached sheet as soon as possible to the attention of Pamela Toomer at 786-845-0219, or scan and email to ProviderH1N1Survey@DOH.STATE.FL.US. Please telephone 786-845-0222 if you have questions.



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H1N1 (SWINE) FLU VACCINE INFORMATION

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- 1. Are you currently enrolled in Florida SHOTS? Yes No
- 2. Are you willing to administer the H1N1 vaccine to patients in the target group? Yes No

You are encouraged to order directly from the State Department of Health (DOH) and have your vaccines drop shipped to you if applicable. The minimum number you may order from DOH is 100 doses. **Your first order should only request the number of doses you would need the first month for patients in the target group.** The vaccine is being delivered to the State in incremental shipments. You will have more opportunities to order vaccine.

Please select the option that best fits your practice:

Option 1: You are already enrolled in FL SHOTS, have more than 100 patients in the target group and wish to receive the vaccine directly from the Department of Health for your staff and patients. Go to the FL SHOTS site and pre-register to receive H1N1 vaccine at <https://www.flshots.com>.

Option 2: You are not enrolled in FL SHOTS, but are willing to register, have more than 100 patients in the target group and wish to receive the vaccine directly from the Department of Health for your staff and patients. Go to the Florida SHOTS site to register as a FL SHOTS provider and pre-register to receive H1N1 vaccine at <https://www.flshots.com>.

Option 3: You are or are not enrolled in Florida SHOTS and have less than 100 patients in the target group. The Miami-Dade County Health Department will work with you to obtain vaccines.

Please fill out the information below so that we may contact you quickly in the event we need to give you important H1N1 updates. Please print clearly.

Number of staff	
Number of patients in the target groups	
Business/Practice Name	
Address	
Contact person name:	Phone
	Email
	Fax



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