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Get kids vaccinated this fall at no-cost community clinics in Eau Claire, Augusta

Eau Claire, October 10, 2024 – The Health Department is offering no-cost flu and Tdap vaccines this month for kids 18 and under at vaccine clinics in Eau Claire and Augusta.

Walk-ins are welcome, but you can also visit ecvaccine.as.me/ to schedule an appointment at one of the clinics.

Clinics will be held on:

- **Saturday, October 12**, 10am – 1pm: Augusta Senior and Community Center. **Note:** In addition to child flu shots, free adult flu shots will be also offered by Northlakes Community Clinic at this location. Adults should bring their insurance card; people without insurance will still be able to get a flu shot at no cost.
- **Monday, October 14**, 3:30 – 6:30pm: North High School (commons area)
- **Thursday, October 17**, 3:30 – 5pm: Delong Middle School (media room)
- **Wednesday, October 23**, 3:30 – 5pm: South Middle School (cafeteria)
- **Wednesday, October 30**, 3:30 – 5pm: Northstar Middle School (gym)

Children will be able to get a flu shot (6 months or older) and/or a Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis) vaccine at no cost. All children under 18 must have a parent/guardian present at the clinic.

"We're glad to offer an opportunity for kids in our community to get their flu shot and get up to date with the Tdap vaccine," says Kristy Polden, public health nurse at the Health Department.

When kids get their recommended vaccines, they receive stronger protection from getting seriously sick or needing to be hospitalized from diseases like the flu, chickenpox, measles, RSV, and more. It also means they're less likely to have to miss school, extracurriculars, and social gatherings from being sick.

It's OK to have questions about childhood vaccines – if you need more information about a vaccine, talk to your child's doctor.

Updated flu and COVID shots: Many people in Eau Claire County have not yet gotten their yearly flu and COVID shots. Updated COVID shots are recommended for everyone 6 months and older this season. You can get flu and COVID shots now at a local pharmacy or your doctor's office. You can also visit vaccines.gov to find local options for a flu shot.

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