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Influenza immunization clinics to open during the holidays

EDMONTON – Influenza immunization clinics will open in Edmonton during the holiday season, providing further opportunities for Albertans to get immunized against the illness.

Alberta Health Services (AHS) is continuing to offer influenza immunization, free of charge, to all Albertans six months of age and older.

Influenza immunization will be available at three public clinics on the following dates:

Bonnie Doon Health Centre, 8314 88 Avenue NW, T6C 1L1

Friday, December 27, 2013 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Friday, January 3, 2014 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Northgate Health Centre, 9499 137 Avenue NW, T5E 5R8

Friday, December 27, 2013 9 a.m. – 4: 30 p.m.

Monday, December 30, 2013 9 a.m. - 4: 30 p.m.

Friday, January 3, 2014 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

West Jasper Place Health Centre, 9720 182 Street NW, T5T 3T9

Monday, December 30, 2013 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Albertans aged six months and older can drop-in to these clinics, without appointments, during opening hours and receive the free immunization. Please bring your Alberta Health Care card and wear a short-sleeved shirt.

It is also important to note that the influenza vaccine is also offered at some pharmacies, medi-centres and family physician offices. Albertans are advised to call ahead to their pharmacist or physician office before visiting to confirm availability.

Note, children under the age of nine are not able to receive the vaccine at pharmacies. Immunization is the single most effective means of protecting yourself against influenza viruses already circulating in our communities.

For more information, visit <http://www.albertahealthservices.ca/influenza.asp>, <http://www.health.alberta.ca/health-info/influenza.html>, or call Health Link Alberta, toll-free at 1-866-408-LINK (5465).

Alberta Health Services is the provincial health authority responsible for planning and delivering health supports and services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta. Its mission is to provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans.

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