

## COUNTY OF KENOSHA

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## "The Flu Ends With U"

It's Still Not Too Late to Receive the Flu Vaccine

Kenosha – February 13, 2017 – The Kenosha County Division of Health is advising residents that it is not too late to receive the flu vaccine. This comes as Wisconsin and Kenosha County begin to see an increase in cases of influenza. Symptoms of influenza include:

- fever greater than 100 degrees
- body aches
- coughing
- sore throat
- respiratory congestion
- and in some cases diarrhea and vomiting

Vaccine recommended for everyone six months and older. Both the Wisconsin Department of Health Services and the CDC recommend everyone six months and older receive the flu vaccine. People at high risk of serious flu complications, including young children; pregnant women; people with chronic health conditions like asthma, diabetes or heart and lung disease; those who care for or live with them; health care workers; and people 65 years and older should make getting vaccinated a priority.

Every flu season is different and people are affected by the flu differently. Even healthy children and adults can become very sick from the flu. There are some people who cannot be vaccinated therefore, it is important for those who can get the flu vaccine, to do so and protect those vulnerable populations who could become seriously ill.

To reduce the spread of influenza, it is important to practice the 3 C's –

- Clean properly wash your hands frequently
- Cover cover your cough and sneeze
- Contain contain your germs by staying home if you are sick

The flu vaccine is available from the Kenosha County Division of Health at three locations:

**Wellness Center** 

Racine/Kenosha Community Action
Agency
2000 63rd Street
Kenosha, WI 53143
Tuesday through Friday
8:30 a.m.- 3:30 p.m.
2nd Tuesday of the Month
9:30 a.m.- 5:30 p.m.

**Closed Monday** 

Kenosha County Center
 HWY 45 & 50
 Bristol, WI 53104
 Monday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
CLOSED 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m.
 Tuesday 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
Thursday 7:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**CLOSED FRIDAYS** 

Kenosha County Job Center

8600 Sheridan Road Kenosha, WI 53143 Monday-Friday 7:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Medicare Part B and BadgerCare are accepted. Please bring immunization records (if available) and a BadgerCare Card (if enrolled). An administrative fee for the vaccine may apply.

For more information or, please call the Kenosha County Division of Health at (262) 605-6700, (800) 472-8008, or visit <a href="https://www.kenoshacounty.org">www.kenoshacounty.org</a>.

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