



**East Metro Health District**  
*Serving Gwinnett, Newton, & Rockdale Counties*  
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**East Metro Health Department Clinics open Saturday to offer H1N1 Influenza vaccine  
 -Gwinnett, Newton and Rockdale County Health Department Clinics-**

**(LAWRENCEVILLE, GA)** The East Metro Health District will open their 5 health department clinics on Saturday, October 17, 2009 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and offer the H1N1 Influenza vaccine. No appointment is necessary.

“We understand that people are busy during the week and often find it difficult to come to one of our clinics during regular business hours, said Suleima Salgado, Public Information Officer for the district. “ We hope our Saturday clinics will meet the needs of the community and make the vaccine available to those who are interested.”

Although our primary focus at this time is healthy children age 2 to 4 years old, the H1N1 nasal spray vaccine can be used by healthy people 2 to 49 years of age, and non-pregnant women. Persons who have been immunized with a live virus in the past 30 days can not receive the H1N1 nasal spray.

“Based on the availability of vaccine and the demand from the community, we will determine how frequently we will host Saturday clinics in the future,” stated Salgado.

In addition, the H1N1 Influenza vaccine is available at all health centers in Gwinnett, Rockdale, and Newton Counties Mondays through Fridays, free of charge to the client. However, clients are requested to please bring their Medicaid, Medicare, or private insurance cards with them.

East Metro’s Health Departments can be reached by calling any of the following clinic locations:

**Gwinnett County**

Buford: (770)614-2401  
 Lawrenceville: (770) 339-4283  
 Norcross: (770) 638-5700

**Newton County:** (770) 786-9086

**Rockdale County:** (770) 785-5936

For health department locations and directions please visit <http://www.eastmetrohealth.com/Maps/Mapstext.html>.

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