

News from

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## **FLU VACCINATION AVAILABILITY**

Based on the announcement of a U.S. flu vaccine shortage, the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services is encouraging only people who are at risk receive flu shots. Those not at risk are being asked to forgo or defer flu vaccination this season in order to maximize the availability of the vaccine for those at high-risk for serious influenza-related health complications.

At Risk Includes:

- Babies 6—23 months old
- People 65 years and older
- People between 2 and 64 years with chronic medical conditions
- Women who are pregnant
- Residents of long term care facilities
- Health workers who interact directly with patients
- Out of home care givers for babies 6 months and younger

To find a location to receive the flu vaccination, call the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services hotline at 1-866-234-0964. The hotline operates Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

For information on influenza and additional means for flu prevention visit the NJ Department of Health and Senior Services at: <http://nj.gov/health/flu/faq.shtml> or call 609-984-7160.

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