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Press Release

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Public Health

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HEALTH DEPARTMENT ANNOUNCES FLU VACCINE IS NOW AVAILABLE

Flu vaccinations are now available at the Logan County Department of Public Health (LCDPH), located at 109 Third Street, Lincoln. The walk-in clinic hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

The regular seasonal flu vaccine and high dose flu vaccine (for those over 65) is now available. All Major insurances are accepted. You must bring your insurance card to receive a vaccine or cash pay will be required.

Residents who are 65 and older now have a choice of the regular seasonal flu vaccine or the high dose flu vaccine. The LCDPH recommends talking with your doctor about which type is best for you. The cost for flu vaccine is \$55 (high dose) and \$37 (regular dose).

The department will not carry FluMist this season. CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) voted that live attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV), also known as the "nasal spray" flu vaccine, should **not** be used during the 2016-2017 flu season. Recent preliminary data on the effectiveness of LAIV among children 2 through 17 years of age during the 2015-2016 flu season showed no protective benefit could be measured from taking the nasal spray flu vaccine.

For over 40 years, the Logan County Department of Public Health continues to strive to prevent disease, promote healthy living and protect the community from disease. Getting a flu shot at your local health department is one way you can protect both yourself and the community for a better way of living. For more information regarding services offered at Logan County Department of Public Health, log on to their website at WWW.Lcdphi.org.