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## Press Release

Macon County Public Health has scheduled two influenza vaccination clinics. The two clinics are scheduled for:

- Thursday, September 27, 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Southwestern Community College's Macon Campus, 44 Siler Farm Road, Franklin, NC;
- Wednesday, October 3, 2017, 2:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Highlands Community Building, 869 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Highlands, NC.

This year MCPH will offer seasonal quadrivalent influenza vaccine which provides protection against four strains of flu, including H1N1. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that everyone 6 months of age and older get a yearly flu vaccine. The CDC also recommends that children under 9 years of age who haven't been vaccinated against the flu in the past may need two doses of flu vaccine.

The cost for regular flu vaccine is \$32. The cost for preservative free flu vaccine is \$35. Insurance will be filed, so clients should bring their insurance cards with them to their appointment or the clinic.

In addition to regular flu vaccine, individuals age 65 and older are eligible to receive a high dose flu vaccine. High dose vaccine will be available as long as supplies last. The cost of high dose vaccine is \$60 and insurance will be filed.

For more information call 349-2081.

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