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## **Cincinnati and Norwood Announce Open H1N1 Vaccine Session**

Cincinnati—the Cincinnati Health Department (CHD) is partnering with the City of Norwood to offer H1N1 vaccination for all members of the general public wishing to be immunized. For this session no pre-registration is required and the vaccination is free. Cincinnati and Norwood Health Officials will be staffing vaccine stations capable of performing 8,000 immunizations at this event. Details:

**What: Cincinnati/Norwood Walk-In H1N1 Vaccine Session**

**Where: Xavier University's Cintas Center, 1624 Herald Avenue,  
45207**

**When: 9 am – 3 pm, Saturday December 19**

Due to patient confidentiality requirements the media will not be permitted inside the facility while vaccinations are occurring. They will be permitted outside of the facility.

Individuals are encouraged, but not required, to fill out the consent form ahead of time and bring it with them to the session. The form may be accessed here:

[http://cincinnati-oh.gov/health/downloads/health\\_eps38182.doc](http://cincinnati-oh.gov/health/downloads/health_eps38182.doc)

Pam Bauer MPH, RS, Norwood's Health Commissioner says, "Many non-tier one individuals have patiently waited to receive the vaccine and we are finally able to offer them immunization."

"We're glad to partner with Norwood to maximize resources and vaccinate as many individuals as possible. The disease continues to circulate and with the holidays approaching this is a great time to protect you and your family from becoming ill," said Dr. Noble Maseru Ph.D., M.P.H. Cincinnati Health Commissioner.

All forms of the H1N1 vaccine are being produced with the identical process used successfully for years for seasonal flu. Local state and federal health agencies continue to monitor for adverse reactions from the vaccine and to date no serious or unusual side effects have been observed. Additional vaccine safety information from CDC is available here: [http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/vaccine\\_safety.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/vaccine_safety.htm)

Information and Updates from Cincinnati:

- The week of December 14<sup>th</sup> any member of the general public wishing to receive H1N1 vaccine may attend one of the City's health centers from 4-7 pm. The complete schedule is available here: [http://cincinnati-oh.gov/health/downloads/health\\_pdf38140.doc](http://cincinnati-oh.gov/health/downloads/health_pdf38140.doc)
- 513-357-7499, the Cincinnati Health Department H1N1 Information and Vaccination Hotline
- Visit: [www.cincinnati-oh.gov](http://www.cincinnati-oh.gov) (click "H1N1 Flu Info" on the top right)
- Follow the Cincinnati Health Department on twitter at: [www.twitter.com/CinciHealthDept](http://www.twitter.com/CinciHealthDept)
- [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

Information and Updates from Norwood:

- Visit: <http://www.norwoodhealth.org>
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