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Dear Parent or Guardian:

As you know, the Macomb County Health Department planned to conduct school-located influenza A (H1N1) vaccination clinics beginning the week of November 2, 2009. This plan was based on vaccine supply projections given to us by the manufacturers, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Michigan Department of Community Health.

On October 20, 2009 we were advised by the Michigan Department of Community Health that vaccine production and distribution in the United States was at least one month behind schedule and that we would not have a sufficient supply of vaccine to conduct school-located vaccination clinics. Because of this information all school-located vaccination clinics scheduled for the month of November have been cancelled. We will evaluate the possibility of conducting some school-located clinics in December, but this will depend on vaccine availability and how influenza illness affects our community during the next several weeks.


The Macomb County Health Department will distribute vaccine to private physicians in the county and will conduct community clinics targeting high-risk individuals beginning the week of November 2, 2009. Clinic dates, times, and locations will be posted on our website at www.macombcountymi.gov/publichealth. Clinics will be added as we receive additional supplies of vaccine.

We are disappointed in having to convey this information and hope you will understand the need for us to cancel the school clinics.

Sincerely,



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