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### **Health District Encourages Residents to Get Vaccinated Against the Flu** *Drive-Through Flu Vaccination Clinics Being Offered October 8 and 22*

Tiffin, OH, October 6, 2021 - Flu experts are concerned that the United States could be at risk for a severe flu season this year, warned CDC Director Dr. Rochelle Walensky today. Flu cases reached an all-time low last year due to the masking, physical distancing, and other prevention measures put in place for the Covid-19 pandemic. This means Americans may now have reduced immunity against the flu.

Getting a flu shot helps to protect everyone against the flu. "This is especially important this year when hospitals are filled with so many COVID-19 patients," notes Seneca County Health Commissioner Anne Goon.

Seneca County General Health District is gearing up to protect local residents against the flu via two drive-through flu vaccination clinics this month. These clinics are open to everyone aged 12 and older.

- The first drive-through clinic is this Friday, October 8, 2021, at the Seneca County Fairgrounds, 100 Hopewell Avenue, Tiffin.
- The second drive-through flu clinic will be Friday, October 22, 2021, at the Fostoria Fire Station, 233 W South Street, Fostoria.

Both clinics will run from 1:00 to 6:00 pm or as long as the supply of flu vaccine lasts. Individuals should bring a valid photo ID and insurance card. They should wear a short-sleeve shirt that makes it easy to get to the upper arm without any undressing. They should also wear a mask to protect Health District staff and volunteers providing the vaccination.

Most insurance are accepted and will be billed. Individuals without insurance can pay with cash or check made payable to "SCGHD".

The Health District will also be offering flu shots by appointment each Wednesday at its office at 71 South Washington Street, Suite 1102, Tiffin, starting October 13. To ask questions or make an appointment for a flu shot at a Wednesday clinic, please call the Health District at 419-447-3691, ext. 6333.

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