

News Release

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SUSAN B. ALLEN MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND ITS FOUNDATION OFFERING FREE FLU VACCINATIONS AGAIN THIS YEAR

Dates to be announced once all vaccine has arrived

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Susan B. Allen Memorial Hospital, with financial support from the Susan B. Allen Memorial Hospital Foundation, will be holding the annual FREE flu vaccination clinics again this year. 1,750 doses of vaccine (1,500 injectable doses and 250 intranasal doses) will be made available to anyone over the age of 3 on a first-come, first-served basis at two separate clinics. Dates for the Augusta and El Dorado clinics will be announced once all of the vaccine has been received by the Hospital.

“We anticipate holding the clinics sometime between the middle of October and the middle of November. Once we get the vaccine in, we’ll publicize the dates through the schools and the media,” said Gene Kimble, spokesperson for Susan B. Allen. “This has been such a positive project in our communities. We feel everyone should have the opportunity to be vaccinated, no matter their ability to pay for it,” said Kimble.

The Augusta clinic will be held at the Augusta United Methodist Church, and the El Dorado clinic will be held at Susan B. Allen Memorial Hospital. Because the clinics are on a first-come, first-served basis, there is usually a large line at the beginning of the clinics. However, Hospital staff want you to understand that the line moves relatively quickly.

“We’ve gotten very good at these types of clinics,” said Kimble. “We have multiple vaccination stations, and our employees are very good at moving people along in the process. It’s like a well-oiled machine once we get started.”

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