

# Vermont State Employees' Wellness Program 2015 Flu Immunizations for Vermont State Employees & Retirees

#### Will you accept walk-ins?

• Yes, if slots are available. There are no guaranteed slots for walk-ins. Scheduled appointments take priority and are preferred.

#### Who is eligible?

• Active permanent and temporary VT state employees, State of VT retirees and employees of the VSEA, Arts Council and Historical Society. Contractors, agency employees, teachers, spouses and dependents are not eligible.

### Where else can I get a shot for myself or my family?

• You can get flu shots and any pharmacy that accepts your State of Vermont Express Scripts insurance card (the State's pharmacy vendor).

### Is there a cost to me for the shot?

• There are <u>NO</u> out-of-pocket expenses or co-pay for eligible participants.

#### Do I need to use leave or sick time to attend?

• Employees can attend on paid "state work time." There will be no mileage reimbursement. Please coordinate with your supervisor/manager to attend.

# Why do you need to make a copy of my Medicare insurance cards?

• To bill Medicare accurately, we need to take a copy of your card at the site. ClearChoiceMD, our vendor, is a designated health provider and is approved to bill Medicare for flu vaccines.

# Is my information secure?

• All client information is protected under strict HIPAA privacy regulations and the website is SSL secured.

# Does this vaccine have the mercury-based preservative called thimerosal?

• Yes. Multi-dose vials have thimerasol. We will have a limited supply of thimerasol preservative-free vaccine available upon request.

# What type of flu vaccine am I getting?

The quadrivalent vaccine will be administered at all Live **Well** Vermont State Employees Wellness Program Clinics which protects against the following four kinds of flu viruses.

- A/California/7/2009 (H1N1 pdm09-like virus)
- A/Switzerland/9715293/2013 (H3N2-like virus)
- B/Phuket/3073/2013-like virus. (This is a B/Yamagata lineage virus)
- B/Brisbane/60/2008-like virus. (This is a B/Victoria lineage virus)

#### Who is administering the vaccines?

• ClearChoiceMD, our vendor, will be providing trained staff to administer all vaccines.

# Where can I find more information?

- Contact LiveWell Vermont State Employees Wellness Program at <u>DHR-EmpWellness@vermont.gov</u> or call 802-828-2804 or visit <u>http://humanresources.vermont.gov/salary/wellness/flu\_program</u>
- Contact Vermont Department of Health Immunization Program at 1-800-640-4374 or visit <u>immunizationprogram@state.vt.us</u> or <u>http://healthvermont.gov</u> or <u>www.flu.gov</u>.