

Amador County Health Services



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Dear Parent / Guardian,

The Amador County Public Health Department will be offering FREE FluMist nasal vaccinations to school aged children in Amador County. We have vaccinated over 35% of all eligible children in Amador County School Clinics over the past three influenza seasons. The influenza vaccination is the best protection against the flu. Together with parents and the Amador County Unified School District we have created a healthier community and helped to keep more of our children in school during the flu season.

Attached you will find a **Consent Form** allowing your child to be vaccinated against influenza (flu). You may also obtain a consent form from one of the websites listed below. Please complete, sign and return the **Consent Form** to your child's school this week so that we may properly plan for your school's vaccination clinic. **We will not vaccinate your child unless we receive a completed, signed consent form.**

Clinics will occur in early November. Please check the Public Health Department's website or your schools information site for specific dates and times for your school. If you miss your school's scheduled clinic date or your child is ineligible for Flumist, you may contact the Public Health Department for clinic dates and times to receive the free vaccination.

If you have questions about the influenza vaccination or FluMist, we encourage you to:

1. Ask your school nurse
2. Call your healthcare provider's office
3. Contact the Public Health Department at (209) 223-6407.
4. Access one of the following websites:
 - a. Amador County Public Health at <http://www.co.amador.ca.us/index.aspx?page=208>
 - b. Amador County Unified School District at <http://www.amadorcoe.org/>

The Amador County Public Health Department is strongly committed to making our community a healthier place. We strive to conduct programs that will build a healthier community for all and we welcome your comments. Please feel free to provide us with your comments on the back of the consent form, or by calling us at 209-223-6407.

Sincerely,

Robert Hartmann, MD
Health Officer

Please see the FluMist Vaccine Information Statement on the back.