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Call for Volunteers

Department increases recruiting efforts ahead of flu season

St. Charles County, Missouri – The St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment is looking for a few good men and women. Novel H1N1 flu, also known as swine flu, is expected to return this fall, and volunteers may be needed to help staff vaccination clinics or perform other tasks as part of the response.

“Our department has been working all summer on H1N1 plans,” said Hope Woodson, public health response planner for the department. “In the past, health care providers in St. Charles County have done an excellent job vaccinating residents against the flu. However, they may be overwhelmed this year by the numbers of people looking for shots. While we don’t expect a need for mass vaccination clinics, we want to be ready just in case.”

All types of skills are needed, not just people with a medical background. “If someone wants to be part of the effort, we will find a place for them,” Woodson said.

To volunteer, simply log on to www.scchealth.org and click the button labeled “Volunteers Needed.” Applicants can either complete and submit the form online, or print it out and mail it in. The address is 1650 Boone’s Lick Road, St. Charles, Missouri 63301. For more information about the volunteer recruiting effort, contact Hope Woodson at (636) 949-7554.

The St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment is committed to the protection and enhancement of health and the quality of life for all members of our community. For more information, call (636) 949-7400 or visit www.scchealth.org.

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