

# EMD BULLETIN



## Emergency Management Department

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## CITY OF LOS ANGELES KICKS OFF H1N1 VACCINE CAMPAIGN

### Over a Thousand Angelenos Received Free Vaccines At Balboa Sports Complex in Encino

ENCINO, CALIFORNIA - Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky and Los Angeles County Health Officer, Dr. Jonathan E. Fielding today kicked off the opening of the Free H1N1 Vaccination Clinic at Balboa Sports Complex in Encino. The park is one of 99 free clinics hosted in the City of Los Angeles.

Angelenos from all parts of the City lined up as early as 5:00 a.m. to receive their free H1N1 vaccine. Clinic hours are from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. The vaccines were administered in many formulas including injectable flu shots, FluMist nasal spray and the thimerosal-free vaccine.

Opening day brought out many Angelenos in the priority group including:

- The uninsured
- Pregnant women
- People living with or caring for infants under six months of age
- Emergency medical services personnel and health care workers
- Children and young adults from six months through 24 years
- People aged 25 through 64 years with chronic medical conditions like heart or lung disease, asthma, diabetes, or weakened immune systems

Clinic staff accommodated all in line, and lines moved relatively quickly and smoothly with the assistance of numerous volunteers who helped residents in completing the necessary documents required by the Los Angeles County Public Health Department.

The 2009 H1N1 Influenza Vaccination Program is the largest vaccination campaign in our history. Thanks to the Emergency Management Department's Adopt-A-Pod campaign, many members of the City's Neighborhood Councils, City departments and

#### About the Emergency Management Department (EMD)

The Emergency Management Department was established by ordinance in 2000 by the City Council and Mayor. EMD is dedicated to leading the City in comprehensive emergency management including: planning, mitigation, preparation, response to and recovery from natural, manmade and accidental incidents of high consequence.

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various for profit and non-profit organizations donated their time help run these community based Points of Dispensing (PODs).

Vaccination clinics will continue throughout the weekend at the following locations:

October 24 – 25, 2009:

- Balboa Sports Complex – 17015 Burbank Boulevard, Encino 91316
- Chevy Chase Recreation Center – 4165 Chevy Chase Drive, Los Angeles 90039
- Granada Hills Recreation Center – 16730 Chatsworth Street, Granada Hills, 91344
- Jackie Tatum/Harvard Recreation Center – 1535 W 62nd Street, Los Angeles, 90047
- Lincoln Park Recreation Center – 3501 Valley Boulevard, Los Angeles, 90031
- Oakwood Recreation Center – 767 California Avenue, Venice, 90291
- Wilmington Recreation Center – 325 Neptune Avenue, Wilmington, 90744
- Woodland Hills Recreation Center – 5858 Shoup Avenue, Woodland Hills, 91367

Additional dates and locations will be available in November and December. New schedules will be released very two weeks.

To confirm a date and location or to check out the November and December schedules, visit <http://www.publichealth.lacounty.gov/> or dial 2-1-1 or 3-1-1.

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