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Nebraska Immunization Program Expanding through SWNPHD

Southwest Nebraska Public Health Department (SWNPHD) was recently included in the Nebraska Immunization Program Title 317 funding that expands the available adult vaccines given to qualified adults at no cost.

SWNPHD can provide vaccines for adults (19 years & older) who are un-insured, underinsured (health insurance does not provide coverage for preventive shots) or do not have supplemental insurance with Medicare A or B.

Shots covered include: Zoster (shingles), Pneumonia, Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, whooping cough), MMR (mumps, measles, rubella), Hepatitis A & B, Varicella (chicken pox), HPV and Meningococcal.

"We are pleased to be included in the State of Nebraska’s Adult Immunization Program," explains Melissa Propp, RN, SWNPHD Public Health Nurse. "Immunizations are one of the most effective and cost efficient ways to prevent disease. For every dollar spent on immunizations, it saves as much as $29.00 in direct and indirect health costs”.

Adults that qualify for the Adult Immunization Program can receive shots at SWNPHD’s office located at 404 West 10th (one block north of Arby’s) in McCook. Monthly clinics are held at various locations for both children and adults. They include:

Hayes Center Grade School – 1st Tuesday of every month
Medicine Valley High School – 2nd Monday of every month
Hitchcock County High School Library – 3rd Tuesday of every month

If you have questions about qualifying or want to have your shot record reviewed, contact Melissa at 308-345-4223 or email: nurse@swhealth.ne.gov.

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