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Swine flu vaccination guidelines:

We now have H1N1 vaccine at our office. We have a 4 tier priority system for scheduling patients. Tier 1 will be our patients whose families have a pregnant mom or an infant under 6 months of age or have a medical indication that puts them at increased risk from the flu. The second tier is our patients under 2 years of age. The third tier is our patients under 5 years of age. Fourth tier will be any of our patients who want to get the vaccine.

We are recommending the H1N1 vaccine for anyone who can get it. The only contraindication for the inactivated, **shot** form of the vaccine is egg allergy. The live, nasal spray version of the vaccine is contraindicated in patients with egg allergy, those under the age of 2 years or above 49 years, patients with lung disease (ie, asthma) and those who are immunocompromised.

We will begin scheduling appointments on October 22. Our flu shot sessions will continue Tu-Th from 8-9 and Sat and Sun from 8-10.

Please refer to the following websites for further information: www.nyc.gov/health/flu and www.cdc.gov/flu.