



MIDDLEBORO PEDIATRICS

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Information Regarding Influenza (Flu) Vaccine

Seasonal Flu Vaccine

Seasonal Influenza Vaccine is offered every Fall and Winter. Each year the vaccine is changed to match the strains of Influenza that are predicted to circulate that winter. This year the seasonal flu vaccine includes the H1N1 (Swine Flu) virus as part of the vaccine. The vaccine comes in two types:

1. Inactivated Influenza Vaccine. This vaccine is given as a shot and can be given to any child age 6 months and older.
2. Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine. This vaccine comes as a nasal spray and can be given to any child 2 years and older. Certain people should not get the nasal spray vaccine. These include children under 5 years of age with a history of wheezing within the past year, children/adolescents with chronic health conditions such as asthma or heart disease, children/adolescents with a weakened immune system, children/adolescents on long-term aspirin treatment, adolescents who are pregnant, or anyone who has a severe allergy to eggs. Any of these individuals can get the flu shot unless there is a severe allergy to eggs in which case neither vaccine can be given. For more information, please read the Influenza Vaccine handouts from the CDC.

Below are the vaccine(s) that are currently available for your child:

- G Inactivated Influenza Vaccine (Flu Shot)
- G Live Attenuated Influenza Vaccine (Nasal Spray)

Authorization

This form verifies I am requesting the above checked vaccine for

Signature of person authorized to sign: _____

Date: _____

