

Press Release

Hamilton County Health Department



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Health Department to Participate in Statewide “Fight Flu TN” Initiative Wednesday, November 9th

HAMILTON COUNTY, TN –The Hamilton County Health Department will be participating in the statewide, “Fight Flu TN” initiative by offering free flu shots to adults 18+. The event will take place Wednesday, November 9th from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. at Orchard Knob Baptist Church, 1734 East 3rd St., Chattanooga, TN 37404.

Details

- No appointment is needed.
- Drive-thru and walk-up options available.
- Adults 18+ may participate.
- Free - while supplies last.
- People are encouraged to wear a face mask while getting vaccinated.
- Bilingual staff & ASL interpreters will be on site.

“As we move into the winter months and flu season, we encourage all eligible residents to make their health a priority by receiving their flu shot as soon as possible,” says Hamilton County Health Department Health Officer, Dr. Stephen C. Miller. “We are also thankful to continue our partnership with Orchard Knob Baptist Church and thankful they are willing to serve as an event host this year.”

Per the CDC, those at the highest risk for serious complications from the flu include children under 5 years, adults 65 years and over, pregnant women, and those with preexisting medical conditions or a compromised immune system.

Both the flu and COVID-19 viruses can be spread at the same time, and you can be infected with both simultaneously. In addition to getting the vaccine for both, it is important to continue wearing a mask, social distancing, and washing your hands.

In addition to the “Fight Flu TN” event, flu shots are widely available at primary care offices, local pharmacies, and with participating community partners. To find a flu shot near you, please visit <https://www.vaccines.gov/find-vaccines/>.

Additional resources

- Call the Health Department’s hotline at 423-209-8383 if you have questions about COVID-19, the flu, or the Fight Flu TN event.
- Visit the Health Department’s online vaccine calendar at vaccine.hamiltontn.gov to see where they are offering COVID-19 or flu vaccine events throughout the week.
- Both the flu vaccine and the COVID-19 vaccine can be administered simultaneously; however, the COVID-19 vaccine will not be administered at the Fight Flu TN event.
- To read this information in Spanish, visit the Health Department’s Spanish Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/SaludHamiltonTN>.

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