Kittitas County Public Health Department

To Protect and Promote the Health and the Environment of the People of Kittitas County

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2009 H1N1 Non-Safety Lot Number Recall

Nationwide, thirteen different batches of 2009 H1N1 vaccine are being recalled due to a slight decrease in potency. All of the lot numbers affected are nasal spray vaccine. The recall is not safety-related.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), routine stability (or "shelf-life") testing identified vaccine batches that had decreased below the pre-specified potency limit, or were expected to fall below that limit within the upcoming week. However, the vaccine was within the specified potency range at the time of distribution.

Kittitas County received 900 doses of the affected vaccine. These were among the first nasal spray lots received in Kittitas County and most were administered while still fully potent. Revaccination is *not* recommended.

Individuals who received vaccine from the recalled lots do not need to take any special action. As is recommended for all 2009 H1N1 vaccines, children younger than 10 years old should get two doses of 2009 H1N1 vaccine at least 28 days apart.

For more information, see www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/vaccination/sprayrecall_qa.htm.

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