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Public Health to conduct free Canyon Lake flu-shot clinic

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NEW BRAUNFELS — Residents in the Canyon Lake area can receive free influenza vaccines at a clinic conducted by the Comal County Office of Public Health next weekend.

The clinic will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. or until supplies last Saturday, Feb. 24, at the CRRC of Canyon Lake Recreation Center, 125 Mabel Jones Drive.

“Comal County is still seeing hundreds of flu cases reported every week,” said Director of Public Health Cheryl Fraser. “It’s still not too late to take the most effective step toward keeping yourself and your family healthy this flu season: getting your flu shot.”

The clinic is available for all county residents age 4 and up; children between 6 months and 4 years old who qualify for the Texas Vaccines for Children program can receive a free flu shot from the Office of Public Health, 1297 Church Hill Drive, New Braunfels, during normal weekday business hours. Call 830-221-1150 for more information.

During the week ending Feb. 10, Comal County physicians and hospitals reported 471 cases of influenza, down from the previous two weeks but still more than any week in any previous year dating back to 2009 and more than the total number of cases reported in 2016.

“This has been a historically intense flu season nationwide and in the county,” Fraser said. “There is evidence, however, that receiving your flu vaccine can lessen the severity of the illness and reduce the chances that you’ll need hospitalization. We continue to join with the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in recommending residents receive a flu shot in addition to washing hands frequently and staying home if they feel sick.”

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