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Public Health offers back-to-school vaccines during National Immunization Awareness Month

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NEW BRAUNFELS — August is National Immunization Awareness Month, and Comal County’s Office of Public Health is celebrating by making sure children getting ready for school are up to date on their vaccines.

The office, located at 1297 Church Hill Drive in New Braunfels, will extend its hours to perform back-to-school immunizations by staying open through lunch Aug. 12-30.

“We want to help make sure children in Comal County start the school year strong and healthy,” said Cheryl Fraser, director of Public Health. “One of the best ways to do that is to make sure they are up to date on their vaccines.”

The Office of Public Health also is participating in the Bulverde Day of Service on Saturday, Aug. 3, and the Family Fun Fest at Canyon Lake on Aug. 15.

National Immunization Awareness Month is an initiative of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, celebrating each August the benefits of vaccination and highlighting the importance of vaccines for people of all ages.

“Immunizations aren’t just for children,” Fraser said. “The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommends that adults receive an annual flu vaccine, and they might need to refresh the vaccines they received as children. Whatever our residents need, we’re here to help them get healthy and stay healthy.”

The Office of Public Health offers a wide range of vaccines for both children and adults. Residents are encouraged to call ahead for cost information, which can vary by vaccine and insurance coverage. The office accepts cash, CHIP, Medicaid, Medicare Traditional Part B and Blue Cross Blue Shield.

Although walk-ins are welcome, parents are encouraged to make an appointment because of the

high volume of patients the office receives in August. The office is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to noon and 1-5 p.m., and will also be open during the lunch hour Aug. 12-30.

For information or to make an appointment, call 830-221-1150.

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