Community HealthCare System, CHCS, Associates can receive their 2025-2026 annual influenza vaccine at one of the following clinics:

Annual Reminders:

- Annual Influenza vaccination is a condition of employment for all CHCS Associates.
- Deadline to receive an influenza vaccine is 10-31-2025.
- Associates are responsible for completing the Flu Shot Consent & Annual Health Assessment prior to receiving the vaccine.
 - a. Flu ShotConsent &Annual Health

Date	Time	Location
09-24-2024,	Morning session: 0900 to 1100	Onaga- CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Wednesday	Afternoon session: 1330 to 1500	
10-02-2025,	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1600	Eastridge - Conference Room
Thursday		
10-06-2025.	Morning session: 0930 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Monday	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1600	
10-09-2025,	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1600 Eastridge - Conference Roo	Fastridge - Conference Room
Thursday		
10-14-2025,	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1600	ST Mary's Manor- Tree Room
Tuesday		
10-20-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Monday	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1630	
10-21-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Tuesday	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1430	
10-22-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Wednesday	Afternoon session: 1300 to 1500	
10-23-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Thursday	Afternoon session: 1430 to 1630	
10-24-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Friday	Afternoon session: 1430 to 1630	
10-31-2025,	Morning session: 0830 to 1200	Onaga - CHCE & Cardiac Rehab Lobby
Friday	Afternoon session: 1330 to 1630	

Assessment forms are in Power DMS.

- 4. Associates are responsible for attending one of the above vaccination clinics, OR an associate can contact Employee Health to schedule a vaccine appointment. OR
 - a. It is the responsibility of associates to submit valid documentation of influenza vaccinations administered outside of the organization to Employee Health.
- 5. The deadline to submit an influenza vaccination exemption is <u>10-09-2025</u>. CHCS will consider sincerely held religious belief exemptions and medical exemptions.
 - a. CHCS Administration and Employee Health will review Exemptions (medical and religious) and the supporting documentation provided by the associate. Associates are required to provide supporting documentation as described on the exemption forms. Exemption forms can are in Power DMS.
 - b. All associates with approved religious or medical exemption for the 2025-2026 influenza vaccine will be required to follow accommodations which include wearing a KN95 or surgical mask while at work and reporting to their manager if they are sick for the influenza season (11-01-2025 to 03-31-2026).
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- 6. Clinics will be held as scheduled, contingent upon timely vaccine shipments. In the event of an unexpected delay, Employee Health will notify associates and reschedule the clinic for a later date.
- 7. Vaccination Clinics will operate on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 8. Flu vaccines and covid-19 vaccines can be administered together. September and October are good times to be vaccinated, and everyone should be vaccinated by the end of October, per CDC recommendations.

REFERENCE: Title of the 2023 study: Maternal Vaccine Effectiveness Against Influenza-Associated Hospitalizations and Emergency Department Visits in Infants | Infectious Diseases | JAMA Pediatrics | JAMA Network

GOOD NEWS: A number of <u>studies</u> have shown that in addition to helping to protect pregnant women from flu, a flu vaccine given during pregnancy helps protect the baby from flu for several months after birth, when babies are too young to be vaccinated. Those include a <u>2023 study</u> showing that flu vaccination during pregnancy reduced the risk of flu in infants younger than 6 months by one-third and the risk of flu-related hospitalizations or emergency department visits among infants younger than 3 months by half.