

H1N1 (Swine Flu) Update

Due to the continued shortage of H1N1 vaccine, the Unified Agency Administrators from the 4-county Public Health Departments and Cowlitz Tribe have issued a policy directive today that limits the administration of the vaccine to those individuals that meet the originally established vaccine priority list.

This priority list includes:

- Healthcare workers
- Pregnant women, children and young adults
- Childcare centers and schools
- Other high risk individuals with special health issues
- First Responders

This policy prioritization will be implemented through the use of public information, signage at the PODs and using a screening questionnaire to help identify those individuals eligible for the vaccine.

Individuals **that fall outside of the prioritization group** will be asked to wait until sufficient quantities of vaccine are available for distribution to the general public.

If you have any questions about this policy, please contact Dennis Mason, SW Washington Incident Commander, at 360-907-9101

For more information regarding the H1N1 (Swine Flu) please visit www.flunewsswashington.org/