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DCHHS Opens August 10th for Free Back-to-School Immunizations

DALLAS (Aug. 8, 2019) – School is right around the corner, which means so is the risk of children getting sick. Immunizations for children are required for students in school. Don't wait until the last minute and beat the long lines. Dallas County Health and Human Services (DCHHS) is holding a back-to-school immunization clinic Saturday, Aug. 10 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. This once a year Saturday clinic will take place on the first floor of the main DCHHS building which is located at 2377 N. Stemmons Freeway in Dallas. Parents/guardians must bring their child's most recent immunization records.

"It is so important to make sure your children are vaccinated on time to ensure their long term health", said Dr. Philip Huang, DCHHS Director. "Vaccinations also help protect the health of classmates, friends, relatives and others in the community. Make sure to get you kids any needed vaccines before the back-to-school rush!"

Dallas County residents from birth to age 18 in the following categories are eligible to receive free immunizations on Aug. 10 under the Texas Vaccines for Children Program (TVFC) who meet at least one of the following:

- Medicaid eligible
- Uninsured
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Underinsured (as defined by the Texas Department of State Health Services https://dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/tvfc/info-for-parents.aspx)

Parents/guardians should review their child's immunization records and consult with a primary care provider or public health professional to determine needed vaccinations. Texas minimum state vaccine requirements for students K-12 can be found at https://dshs.state.tx.us/immunize/school/default.shtm

For more information on the DCHHS immunization clinics and upcoming community events, please visit https://www.dallascounty.org/departments/dchhs/

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