**Headline: Protect Yourself this Flu Season: It’s Time to Get Your Annual Flu Shot   
Sub-headline:** Be a flu fighter and create healthy communities this flu season. **Body copy:** *Below*

**As we head into the flu season, it is important now more than ever to get your flu shot as it can reduce flu severity and prevent hospitalizations.**

This season, it is likely that flu viruses and the virus that causes COVID-19 will both be circulating at the same time. [So it is more important than ever to get a flu shot](https://wexnermedical.osu.edu/blog/flu-shot-2020) in order to reduce risk from the flu and reduce the burden on our health care system during the COVID-19 pandemic.

**Do your part in creating healthy communities this flu season and get your annual flu shot**.

A flu shot is an easy way to reduce your threat of flu and avoid having both flu and COVID-19 at the same time. **Don’t take any chances this year. Get your flu shot today**.

Getting the flu shot is one of the easiest and safest ways to stay healthy during the flu season, and preventing the flu will help to keep you, your family, your friends and your colleagues safe.

**Be a flu fighter!**

This year, there is a variety of flu shot options available to all faculty and staff.

1. ***Available immediately, and the easiest, quickest way to become compliant is to***:
   1. Make an appointment and visit Employee Health Services
   2. Attend a scheduled flu blitz by appointment
   3. Get your flu shot by your unit’s flu shot ambassador (for clinical staff only)
2. You can also visit your local pharmacy or primary care provider to get your flu shot, and then send in the documentation/information required on your part.

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**Available immediately for all faculty and staff:**

**These are the easiest and quickest way to become compliant because no documentation is required**.

**Visit Employee Health Services**

Get your flu shot, [**by appointment only**](https://linktohealth.osu.edu/LinktoHealth/home.xhtml?dswid=2294&dsrid=671), at [**Employee Health Services**](https://onesource.osumc.edu/departments/EmployeeHealth/Pages/default.aspx) (221 Campbell Hall), Monday through Friday; hours of appointments are from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.

**As a reminder, it is critical to remain socially distanced while waiting in line on these dates for flu shots at Employee Health Services or at the flu blitzes.**

**Attend a scheduled flu blitz**

While flu blitzes in prior years allowed employees to simply walk-in for their flu shot, it’s important that we offer a more coordinated, scheduled service this year to ensure appropriate social distancing.

**Make an appointment to get your flu shot at an upcoming Ohio State Wexner Medical Center flu shot blitz.**

[**Book your appointment today**](https://linktohealth.osu.edu/LinktoHealth/).

**Have your Unit Ambassador administer the flu shot (for Clinical staff only)**

[**Get your flu shot by your unit's ambassador**](https://onesource.osumc.edu/departments/EmployeeHealth/Pages/AmbassadorResources.aspx).

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**You can also get your flu shot by your primary care provider or your local pharmacy**, documentation is required though.

**Pharmacy and Primary Care Provider**

Local pharmacy [lists are available here](https://osuhealthplan.com/programs-and-services/flu-vaccination). Please visit your local pharmacy’s website to find locations, dates and hours, and/or to book an appointment.

Or, contact your primary care provider to set-up an appointment to get your flu shot.

If you are a medical center faculty or staff member, you will need to provide documentation/proof of your flu shot. This year, you have two options to submit your form:

[**Complete and email this form**](https://onesource.osumc.edu/departments/EmployeeHealth/Documents/Influenza%20Documentation%202020.pdf) to Employee Health Services – [employeehealth@osumc.edu](mailto:employeehealth@osumc.edu)

**OR**

[**Answer and submit your information and documentation electronically**](https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=JaGVCxx5Ck-fnpnjYxF1Bms-uhbffxJKtYeHDF8f6V9UMTZCRjRYNko1SFk1MEZJUTJPVEVZNldBWS4u)

* Please note, if you choose this option, you will need to provide flu shot documentation
* Please use your medical center ID to log in – for example [smith123@osumc.edu](mailto:smith123@osumc.edu)
* If you have questions about this option, contact Employee Health Services, [employeehealth@osumc.edu](mailto:employeehealth@osumc.edu)

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For any questions, contact Employee Health Services, [employeehealth@osumc.edu](mailto:employeehealth@osumc.edu).