

H1N1 vaccinations now available for people 19 to 64 years of age

As of January 15, 2010, H1N1 vaccinations are available for people aged 19 to 64 and infants under 1 year old. This is a direct result of the government expanding the vaccination implementation guidelines to include these two groups.

In Mie Prefecture, vaccinations for these two groups will begin on Wednesday, January 27 at medical institutions that accept vaccination requests. Specific details are listed below.

1. Details:

(1). People aged 19 to 64 and infants under 1 year old have been added to the vaccination schedule.

All citizens in Mie, regardless of age, can now receive the H1N1 vaccination.

(2) For vaccinations of infants under 1 year old, it is recommended that parents/guardians understand all the risks associated with the vaccine and talk with a doctor first before letting their child receive it.

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(3) Be aware that not all medical institutions can give vaccinations starting from January 27.

Please contact your family doctor for information on where to get a vaccination.

2. Vaccination Schedule

· Pregnant women and people with a pre-existing condition	Nov. 16, 2009
· Infants aged 1 to grade three elementary school students	Nov. 16, 2009
· Guardians of infants under 1 year old	Dec. 21, 2009
· Elementary school students grades 4 to 6	Dec. 21, 2009
· Youth that are of junior high and high school age	Dec. 21, 2009
· Senior citizens (65 years and up) without a pre-existing condition	Jan.12, 2010
· Health adults (19 to 64 years old)	Jan. 27, 2010
· Infants under 1 year old	Jan. 27, 2010