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City Hosts Free Drive-Thru Flu Shots Event at Camp Cohen

Be PowerFlu Prevention Campaign Aims at Saving Lives

EL PASO, Texas—The City of El Paso Department of Public Health, in partnership with the Fire Department, is hosting a FREE flu vaccine drive-thru from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Saturday, November 2, at Camp Cohen, 9700 Gateway N. Blvd.

The drive-thru site, situated in Northeast El Paso, will provide flu shots at no cost for individuals ages 6 months and older. No appointment or insurance is necessary, making it convenient for community members to receive this critical preventive care.

Free “Be Powerflu” t-shirts to the first 150 that get their flu shot and lots of giveaways.

Influenza (flu) is a highly contagious respiratory illness caused by viruses that infect the nose, throat, and lungs, potentially leading to serious complications like pneumonia, bacterial infections, and even death.

“Each year during the fall and winter, many in our community fall ill with respiratory diseases, with flu being one of the most concerning due to its potential for severe complications requiring hospitalization and in some cases death,” said Dr. Hector Ocaranza City-County Health Authority. “The flu vaccine is a lifesaving measure, offering essential protection that can prevent hospitalization and save lives. We urge everyone to get their flu shot annually, particularly before flu season peaks.”

The “Be PowerFlu” prevention campaign aims to reduce flu cases in El Paso, helping prevent flu-related illnesses and hospitalizations to keep our community healthy and thriving.

For additional information about the flu vaccine and other vaccination events, visit BePOWERflu.com.



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