

EIU Health Services H1N1 Update – January 11, 2010

Spring 2010 H1N1 Update

Health Service was very busy during the Fall 2009 Semester due to the H1N1 influenza pandemic. 430 students contracted the H1N1 influenza virus and 1725 H1N1 vaccines were administered. Over the past several weeks, the number of infections caused by the H1N1 virus seems to be declining across the United States.

The H1N1 vaccine is available and the CDC and Health Service strongly encourage all individuals to get vaccinated if they have not done so already. The vaccine is free and available to all EIU students, faculty and staff. Friends of the University are also welcome to come to Health Service to receive the vaccine.

Although we are hopeful that this pandemic is coming to an end, we will be monitoring the situation closely and will continue to provide frequent updates to the university through our website and H1N1 phone-line (217-581-H1N1).

As a reminder, Seasonal Flu is just around the corner. Remember to clean your hands, cover your cough and contain the infection by isolating yourself if you become ill.

Sincerely,
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