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Free Flu Clinics for Community Residents

The Santa Barbara Public Health Department and the Santa Barbara County Medical Reserve Corps are providing **free** flu shots for all community members over the age of 2 at clinics in Goleta and Lompoc.

The flu clinics provide a unique opportunity for residents to get a free flu shot to protect their health, and also help their community prepare for an emergency.

An annual flu vaccination is the best way to prevent the flu and the flu-related complications that could lead to hospitalization and even death. Health experts across the country recommend that everyone 6 months and older get a flu vaccine. Flumist vaccines will be available for ages two years to 49 years and the injectable vaccine for 3 years and older.

Each year the Public Health Department (PHD) exercises its community mass vaccination plan. The flu clinics in Goleta and Lompoc serve to familiarize residents with the mass vaccination clinic operation and to improve the county’s mass vaccination plan.

The event is funded through the federal Center for Disease Control (CDC) Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program.

	Goleta	Lompoc
When	December 3, 3:00 – 7:00 pm	December 7, 10:00 am-1:00pm
Where	Goleta Valley Community Center 5679 Hollister Avenue	Lompoc Fire Station 115 South G Street
What	Flumist for 2 – 49 years old Injectable vaccine for 3 years and older	Flumist for 2 – 49 years old Injectable vaccine for 3 years and older
Who	Everyone two years of age or older	Everyone two years of age or older

For more information regarding this event or other places to get flu shots in our area visit <http://www.sbcphd.org/iz> or call the Santa Barbara County Immunization Program 805-346-8420

