

Ontario Helping Every Household Fight The Flu

McGuinty Government Prepares For A Different Flu Season

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Ontario wants to help prepare all residents for the upcoming flu season, which will be a different flu season from previous years.

This fall and winter, there will be two types of flu viruses circulating – seasonal flu viruses and the H1N1 flu virus. Two flu vaccines are being developed against these viruses. The seasonal flu vaccine and the H1N1 flu vaccine will be made available this Fall.

To ensure all Ontarians are properly informed about this flu season, beginning next week every home in Ontario will be receiving information in the mail regarding the vaccination programs, who to contact for more information, as well as tips on how to prevent the flu and stay healthy.

For additional information on how this year is a different flu season, visit ontario.ca/flu.

QUOTES

“I want to make sure all Ontarians have the information they need to fight the flu. I would encourage everyone to practise the precautions outlined in the flu brochure. If we all do our part, we can keep Ontario healthy.”

– David Caplan, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care

“The fight against the flu begins with each one of us. I strongly encourage everyone to take the personal precautions we clearly spell out in this brochure to prevent the spread of flu in Ontario this autumn.”

– Dr. Arlene King, Chief Medical Officer of Health

QUICK FACTS

- Flu season in Ontario typically starts in October and ends in April.
- A seasonal flu vaccination will not protect people against the H1N1 flu virus.

LEARN MORE

Stay up-to-date online for developments of [Ontario's flu campaign](#).

Find out more about the [two flu shot programs available](#) this flu season.

Find a [flu clinic](#) near you.

For public inquiries call ServiceOntario, INFOline at 1-866-532-3161 (Toll-free in Ontario only)

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