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Reply to: Karem Batista Tel: 416-338-1219 Email: kbatist@toronto.ca www.toronto.ca/health

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Dear Community Partner,

Re: Promotion of Flu Immunization Clinics

The Ministry of Health and Long Term Care is offering free influenza (flu) vaccination for all Ontario residents. Vaccination is the most effective way to prevent catching the flu. The flu vaccine is recommended for everyone 6 months of age and older. Get the flu shot early. It takes about two weeks to mount an immune response to the vaccine.

Toronto Public Health is offering free flu immunization clinics from October 28 to November 30, 2015. The clinics are scheduled at a variety of times throughout the week, including Saturdays.

Enclosed is the Toronto Public Health's Flu Immunization Clinics for 2015. Please post these in your facility. For additional posters, send your request to Karem Batista at <u>kbatist@toronto.ca</u> or phone 416-338-1219.

For more information about the flu vaccine or flu clinic locations, refer to our website <u>www.toronto.ca/health</u> or call our Immunization Information Centre at 416-392-1250.

Yours sincerely,

Ameeta Mathur Manager, Vaccine Preventable Diseases Program Toronto Public Health

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