



Unity Health and Wellness, LLC

*Working Together to Make the World a Healthier Place*

Dear Parent or Guardian,

We are excited to announce that we are partnering with your school, Palmetto Christian Academy, to provide the seasonal nasal flu vaccine this fall. We will be visiting your school on October 20, 2015.

You will be receiving the consent form to participate and the CDC Vaccine Information Sheet (VIS). The VIS is for your information only, and does not need to be printed nor does it need to be returned to the school. The consent needs to be filled out completely, with all medical information, insurance information and a parent/guardian signature. There is **NO CHARGE** to the school or parents for the vaccination, but we do submit to your insurance, so this information is very important. If your child does not have insurance, please simply let us know, your child will NOT be denied vaccination due to not having insurance.

Since our clinics are preventative health clinics, they are completely voluntary. If you choose not to vaccinate your child in the school setting, Unity Health and Wellness and the CDC encourage you to vaccinate your child with their medical provider. Millions of dollars are spent each year flu-related hospitalizations and thousands of people die each year because of influenza.

Your child's safety and health is our primary concern. We will be administering the **nasal mist** form of the influenza vaccine. This is the recommended vaccine for medically eligible, school-aged children. If something on your child's medical history indicates that it is not safe for us to vaccinate your child in the school setting, we will notify of the reason. This does not mean that your child should not be vaccinated, it simply means that you need to see your primary care doctor for the vaccination to be given in their office setting.

Our clinics are conducted by licensed RNs and are over-seen by a Medical Director that practices Family Medicine. All our protocols and procedures, follow the recommendations of the CDC and the Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) for vaccinations in children and adults.

**Please fill out the attached consent forms and return them to your school no later than Wednesday, October 14, 2015.**

If you have any questions or concerns you can call our office to discuss them with our medical or administrative staff. You can reach us at 843.901.9780 or [Lora@unitywellness.org](mailto:Lora@unitywellness.org).

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