

Charlotte County opens H1N1 vaccine to adults

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CHARLOTTE COUNTY - The H1N1 flu vaccine is now available to adults. The Charlotte County Health Department held the first free general public clinic on the Suncoast Wednesday morning.

"We don't really have a number in mind as to how many people are going to get vaccinated today, because this is our first clinic," said Adam DuBois, spokesperson for The Charlotte County Health Department.

The free vaccination clinic is part of a federal campaign. "I think we're going to get a pretty good number or people vaccinated," said DuBois, "and get a nice blanket vaccination out there in the community."

The Health Department said the demand is high, but the wait time for Wednesday's clinic was just seven minutes at its peak during lunch hour.

The Charlotte County Health Department is interested in planning more free H1N1 clinics, but it is waiting on new vaccine supplies, and gauging the demand for the vaccine.

"Depending on the demand of people who want the vaccine will determine the amount of vaccine clinics that we will offer," said DuBois.

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