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SCPH Will Offer 26-27 Influenza Vaccinations

[Akron Ohio] – Summit County Public Health (SCPH) is offering the new 26-27 Flu vaccinations starting Monday October 5, 2026. Vaccinations will be given by appointment only, Mondays – Fridays from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm. The clinic is located at 1867 W. Market St., Akron Ohio 44313, Building C (enter through door 10). **Please bring your ID and your insurance card to your appointment**. We have both VFC, 317 (no cost vaccine for uninsured or underinsured; individuals will be charged a $21 administration fee—they will not be turned away for inability to pay), and private vaccine. The 2026-2027 CDC Flu Season CDC Guidance recommends annual vaccination for everyone aged 6 months and older, ideally during September or October.

What's New for 2026-2027

- **Trivalent Composition:** All U.S. seasonal flu vaccines are trivalent (three-component), protecting against A(H1N1), A(H3N2), and B/Victoria strains.
- **Updated Strains:** All three virus components have been updated from the previous season, including a specific change to target the A(H3N2) subclade K virus.

SCPH encourages those residents who are both vaccinated and unvaccinated to continue to engage in safe and effective behaviors to reduce the spread of viruses:

- Stay home if you're sick, even with mild symptoms
- Follow good hygiene standards:
  - Wash hands frequently with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
  - Use hand sanitizer frequently
  - Avoid touching your face
  - Cover coughs and sneezes

To schedule an appointment online go to: https://www.scph.org/immunizations/appointments and a staff person will call you to schedule your appointment, or call 330-375-2772. Due to high call volume, please leave a message and your call or online message will be answered within 2 business days.

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