Information about the application

For the 2020-2021 flu season, the New Jersey Department of Health (NJDOH) will continue the annual New Jersey Influenza Honor Roll to recognize institutions that are striving to promote influenza prevention at their facilities. The Influenza Honor Roll is open to four categories of honorees*: business, community-based partners, education,* and *healthcare facilities*. Institutions from all categories are encouraged to submit applications detailing all implemented influenza-related activities.

Seasonal influenza is a common viral infection that can affect people of all ages across the lifespan. It can lead to severe complications or even death, especially for young children, older adults and other vulnerable populations. Influenza vaccination is the most effective method of preventing influenza infection, and it is recommended for all persons six months of age and older.[1]

To increase vaccination coverage and to continue to protect the health of New Jersey citizens, it requires efforts from multiple stakeholders within our communities. These stakeholders share in the responsibility to help ensure that our communities are aware of the dangers of flu, the benefits of vaccination, as well as helping to improve access to vaccination services.

Institutions sending applications to be considered for the Influenza Honor Roll must be committed to taking an active role in improving the health of their students, employees, patients, and/or communities. Activities for consideration may include (but are not limited to):

- Flu prevention campaigns;
- Flu vaccination clinics; and/or
- Partnerships with local stakeholders to promote flu awareness and prevention.

Healthcare facilities that are interested in applying to New Jersey's Influenza Honor Roll should first apply to the Immunization Action Coalition's (IAC) Influenza Vaccination Honor Roll (www.immunize.org/honor-roll/influenza-mandates/apply.aspx). Facilities that are added to IAC's Honor Roll will be cross-promoted on the New Jersey Influenza Honor Roll.

For those interested in applying, please complete the application and send to IHR@doh.nj.gov, or submit via fax at 609-826-4866 to the attention of Erika Lobe. For healthcare institutions, please forward a copy of the submitted IAC application. Applications must be submitted by **March 31, 2021**. All institutions named to the Influenza Honor Roll will be highlighted on the NJDOH website and will receive a certificate of recognition.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact the Vaccine Preventable Disease Program by calling 609-826-4861, or via email at IHR@doh.nj.gov.

[1] CDC Influenza - www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/index.htm

Resources

General Flu Information

1. CDC Influenza Website
   www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm

2. New Jersey Vaccine Preventable Disease Program, Seasonal Influenza Website
   http://nj.gov/health/cd/topics/flu.shtml
   - (Brochure) Flu Basics, available in multiple languages
   - (Flyer) Flu for Adults 65 or Older
   - (Flyer) Flu and Your Teen
   - (Widget) Vaccine Finder

3. New Jersey Local Health Departments
   http://localhealth.nj.gov

Flu Vaccination Promotion Events & Conducting Influenza Clinics

1. Information for Businesses and Employers
   www.cdc.gov/flu/business/
   - Flyers, fact sheets, e-cards, web tools & more

2. Organizing Flu Vaccination Promotion Events
   www.cdc.gov/flu/pdf/partners/nivdp-tip-sheet.pdf

3. CDC Guidelines for Planning
   www.cdc.gov/flu/professionals/vaccination/vax_clinic.htm

4. Tools to Assist Satellite, Temporary, and Off-Site Vaccination Clinics
   www.izsummitpartners.org/naiis-workgroups/influenza-workgroup/off-site-clinic-resources/

Ideas and Tools for Campaigns

1. New Jersey Success Stories/Campaign Ideas
   https://nj.gov/health/cd/documents/flu/ihr_ideas.pdf

2. CDC Partner Success Stories
   www.cdc.gov/flu/resource-center/partners/success_stories.htm

3. CDC graphics, web tools, videos, podcasts, print material, etc.
   www.cdc.gov/flu/freeresources/index.htm

4. CDC Digital Media Toolkit
   www.cdc.gov/flu/resource-center/freeresources/toolkit.htm

Influenza Honor Roll Application

Please complete the application below, you may use as much space as needed. Email completed application to ***IHR@doh.nj.gov****, or fax to* ***609-826-4866 (attn: Erika Lobe)****.*

Applicant Information				
	Type : *(check one)*	☐ Business	☐ Community	☐ Education ☐ Medical
Institution	**Name:**			
	Address:			
	City:	**State:**	**Zip:**	
Primary Contact	**Name:** *(first, last)*		**Title:**	
	Email:		**Phone Number:**	

Influenza Honor Roll Activity Details			
Objective:			
Activity:			
Team Members: *(first, Last)*			
Number of people reached with messaging:	**Number of people vaccinated:**	**Date of activity:**	
Lessons learned:			
Other relevant information:			

Additional attachments (i.e. photos, videos, charts, reports, etc.) are optional. ATTACH FILES

Do we have permission to include details of your campaign in our success stories document? ☐Yes ☐No

Signature: _____ Date: _____