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FLU HAS ARRIVED IN PUTNAM COUNTY

The Health Department is reporting that the flu has arrived in Putnam County. We would like to remind the public who have yet to receive a flu shot, now is the time to get one.

The Health Department is holding a FREE flu vaccine clinic for anyone 6 months of age and older on Wednesday, January 12, 2:30 -6:30pm at the Health Department, 1 Geneva Road in Brewster, located above the Department of Motor Vehicles office. **Clinic doors will not open until 2:30pm.** Anyone who lives or works in New York State and is 6 months of age and older will be eligible to receive seasonal flu vaccine at this clinic. Children under the age of 18 must be accompanied by their parent. Prescriptions are not required and no appointments are necessary. The flu vaccine for this year contains three strains, including the H1N1 strain.

SAVE TIME! In order to move people through the clinic more quickly, required vaccine consent forms are available at www.putnamcountyny.com. Download the forms, complete them and bring them with you to the clinic.

Please continue to check the **Putnam County Department of Health Flu Vaccine Hotline at (845) 808 -1390** for further updates. You may also visit the Health Department's website at: www.putnamcountyny.com for more information about influenza.

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