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Subject: Important Flu Vaccine Update

Dear Colleagues,

The CUIMC Flu Vaccine Program completed on November 9th. Over 5,400 CUIMC Faculty and Staff were vaccinated.

The vaccine is safe and effective, and all CUIMC faculty and staff should receive it. **All patient-facing faculty and staff are required to receive it or complete the declination process.** A declination should only be for medical or religious reasons. [Click here to learn more about the declination process and to access the declination forms.](#)

Starting November 10, the flu vaccine will be available on a limited basis at three NYP locations: WHS Main Clinic, Milstein, and CHONY. [Click here for details.](#)

Please note that high dose and egg free vaccines are available at Workforce Health and Safety. To receive one of these vaccines, please visit WHS during office hours. Appointments are not required, however, wait times may vary. Please contact WHS, (212)305-7590, option 1, with any questions.

Students enrolled in the Student Health Service (SHS) may receive the influenza vaccination at no charge at one of our [flu vaccine fairs](#). Students can also schedule an appointment at the 100 Haven Avenue location by calling 212-305-3400 or by logging onto the [student health portal](#). Walk-ins will not be accepted at this time.

To minimize crowding in the WHS Clinic and to ensure social distancing, faculty and staff are encouraged to receive the vaccine at any University location listed above or at an outside location (e.g. pharmacies, doctor's offices, etc.). If you choose to get vaccinated at an outside location, please [complete the Influenza Vaccine Outside Documentation Form](#).

Anyone experiencing COVID-19/flu like symptoms will not be able to receive the vaccine until symptoms improve.

Thank you for supporting this important health initiative. I hope you will join me in getting vaccinated and protected against this season's flu. For more information, please visit [NYP's Influenza's FAQs](#). You also may contact CUIMC Human Resources at 212-305-3670 or cumchr@cumc.columbia.edu or the Student Health Service at 212-305-3400 or studenthealthservice@cumc.columbia.edu.

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