

Children under 10 need 2nd swine flu shot

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LEE COUNTY: The Lee County Health Department has a very important announcement and reminder for parents. Many children still need a second dose of the swine flu vaccine.

The Health Department says likely during the first two weeks of December, there will be swine flu clinics geared especially for children under ten that need their second swine flu vaccine.

The health department says all children under ten should get vaccinated twice, not just once.

The health department says it has seen about 3500 Lee County children under 10 at the swine flu clinics, so it wants to see those 3500 kids again.

"That first dose does provide protection, but it doesn't provide protection to the level we want it to so what we need is parents to come back. At all the clinics parents were given information that told them they need to come back but we need to remind them. This is very crucial they get that second dose because no one wants to be in the emergency room with their child," said Jennifer James-Mesloh of the Lee County Health Department.

The health department says when you bring your child to the clinic for round two, request the type of vaccine your child received during round one.

For example, if a nurse gave your child nasal spray the first time, request the nurse to give your child nasal spray during the second vaccination.