



# CDC Updates for Clinicians

Clinician Outreach and Communication Activity (COCA)  
Emergency Communication System

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## CDC Key Points Clarification

- **The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the use of one dose of 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine for persons 10 years of age and older.**
- It is likely that children younger than 10 years will need two doses of 2009 H1N1 flu vaccine. This is slightly different from CDC's recommendations for seasonal influenza vaccination which state that children younger than 9 who are being vaccinated against influenza for the first time need to receive two doses. Infants younger than 6 months of age are too young to get the 2009 H1N1 and seasonal flu vaccines.
- CDC recommends that the two doses of 2009 H1N1 vaccine be separated by 4 weeks. However, if the second dose is separated from the first dose by at least 21 days, the second dose can be considered valid.

## COCA Conference Call: H1N1 Vaccine Safety

Continuing Education Credits/Contact Hours (CME, CNE, CEU and CHES) are available for this COCA Conference Call!

### **Title: Overview of H1N1 Vaccine Safety: Licensing, Clinical Trials, and Vaccine Safety Monitoring**

#### **Speakers:**

**Bruce G. Gellin, MD, MPH** - Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health Director, National Vaccine Program Office, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

**Theresa M. Finn, Ph.D.** - Associate Director for Regulatory Policy Office of Vaccines Research and Review Center for Biologics Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration

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**Date: Wednesday, September 30, 2009**

**Time: 2:00 - 3:00 PM ET**

**Call-in number: 800-779-2692**

**Passcode: 1729279**

The PowerPoint Presentation will be available on the COCA website on September 30th:  
<http://emergency.cdc.gov/coca/callinfo.asp>

Objectives:

After this activity, the participants will be able to:

- 1) Recognize the vaccine safety systems put into place by Department of Health and Human Services and its agencies.
- 2) Define FDA's licensure process for 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccine.
- 3) Discuss results from 2009 H1N1 influenza vaccination clinical trials conducted by NIH.
- 4) Describe several post-licensure vaccine safety monitoring systems managed by CDC and FDA.
- 5) Know how to handle reporting of any potential adverse events post-vaccination.

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