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The expanded Student Health Center, along with giving no-appointment flu shots, now offers a pharmacy, x-rays and emergency services to students, faculty and staff.

# Flu Shots Available at Student Health Center

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Students, staff and faculty who wish to avoid getting the flu can go to the UNLV Student Health Center for flu shots.

The program has already begun, with shots priced at \$5, available without an appointment.

Flu season usually begins in October and runs through April.

Although the vaccine is generally recommended by doctors for elderly people and people with health problems, the shot can be taken by healthy and young individuals who simply wish to

avoid getting the illness.

Persons who should not get flu shots are people with an allergy to eggs (those who have violent reactions when they eat eggs), those with Guillain Barre Syndrome, or women who might be or are pregnant.

Arlene Carter, clinic supervisor for Clark County Immunization Center, also advises people who already have the flu, a cold or fever not to get the vaccine until after the illness has passed. "Getting the shot while sick is a guaranteed way to become even sicker," she added.

Carter also said that because the viruses which cause the flu frequently change, people who have been infected or given a flu shot in previous years may become infected with a new strain.

So, you should get a new shot each year. This year's flu shot contains the strains A/Texas, A/Shangdon, and B/Panama.

For more information, the Student Health Center offers an information sheet that contains everything regarding the flu and the flu shot, including symptoms and possible side effects. They also provide free flu-relief kits to relieve other symptoms of the flu.

"The kits include medicines for relief from sore throat, aches and pains, fever, nasal congestion and coughing," says Alan A. Asher, R.P.H., UNLV Student Health Center's Pharmacist.

Other free kits offered by the center are cold, abrasion, safer sex and P.M.S. kits.

The clinic also offers immunizations for the measles, mumps, rubella and hepatitis B.

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reasons why (I was terminated)," she said. "Brad Boone gave me my paperwork, and when I asked why this was happening, he said he could say nothing, that he didn't know."

Regent Shelley Berkeley criticized the athletic department's conduct. "This is another example of the incompetence of Jim Weaver," she said. "He came in here totally incapable of handling the job. Many of his decisions have placed UNLV in a worse position than we dreamed. He removed qualified, competent, long-time Nevada residents, and replaced them with his Florida cronies."

UNLV earlier attempted to have England disqualified from representing Kunzer-Murphy, alleging a conversation between England and Berkeley compromised the case. The university backed down after Berkeley dismissed the allegation and threatened to inform U.S. District Judge David Hagen of behind-the-scenes maneuvering by UCCSN General Counsel Don Klasic.

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