

Title: Influenza Update

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Per new recommendations from the CDC, Health Services is no longer administering the Influenza A test; rather it is now treating anyone with Influenza Like Illness (ILI) as if they had H1N1. This change is due to the low accuracy rate of the test that was designed prior to H1N1. Since Aug. 28, 30 students with ILI have been seen by Health Services or have self-reported their illness.

As previously stated, influenza symptoms include:

- Fever of 100.5 or greater
- Headache
- Body aches
- Malaise (general discomfort)
- Fatigue
- Cough
- Sore throat

Any student experiencing these symptoms should call Health Services at 940-9385 or come in to be evaluated.

Students with ILI symptoms are being asked to isolate on campus or go home until they are fever-free without medication for 24 hours. Several rooms across campus have been reserved to use for students who cannot be isolated in their current living space. Access to these rooms is coordinated through Health Services.

On Monday, Sept. 21, Health Services ordered several doses of the H1N1 vaccine. While a shipment date was not specified, in preparation for its arrival Health Services is developing a priority vaccination list of people with chronic illnesses. To be added to the list, call 940-9385 or email [vrosa@butler.edu](mailto:vrosa@butler.edu) indicating your condition.

The CDC recommends that people also get the regular flu vaccine. Unfortunately, at this time Butler does not have any vaccines due to a delay with the supplier.

Flu shots can be obtained off campus at CVS Minute Clinics, Wal-Mart Health Clinics, Walgreens Pharmacies and Take Care Clinics, or at one of the Marion County Health Department's 12 flu clinics. Click here ([http://www.mchd.com/2009\\_flu\\_clinic.pdf](http://www.mchd.com/2009_flu_clinic.pdf)) to view their clinic schedule.

If you have questions or concerns contact Health Services. You can also visit the H1N1-Influenza website [www.butler.edu/healthservices](http://www.butler.edu/healthservices) for up-to-date information regarding H1N1.