

Best Practices

for Increasing Influenza Vaccination Levels among Healthcare Workers

Facility: Munroe Regional Medical Center
1500 S.W. First Avenue
Ocala, FL 34471

Type of Facility: Hospital

Methods:

- Program began in 2004
- Staff provide vaccinations via employee health services and mobile carts
- Vaccination services are available during all shifts and in all departments; some off-site clinics
- Information published in the employee newsletter, *The Munroe Echo*, on benefits and myths of vaccination along with dates and times of clinics
- Will be implementing an on-line query of all employees regarding receipt of vaccination in 2008-09; if no vaccination, employee must answer why not.
- Employer covers costs of program

Results:

- Vaccination rate in 2005-06 season: 30% (717 employees)
- Vaccination rate in 2006-07 season: 48% (1,217 employees)
- Vaccination rate in 2007-08 season: 45% (1,120 employees)

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