



# Public Health Press Release

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## H1N1 Nasal Mist Vaccine—Shortened Shelf Life of Certain Lots

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*- Dr. Bob Hartmann,  
Health Officer*

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*Jackson, Ca.* Amador County Public Health received word from the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) that another H1N1 vaccine is undergoing a limited recall. The effectiveness of some lots of another H1N1 vaccine had decreased below a pre-specified limit or was at risk of falling below that limit in the next week. This recall is limited to a few specific lots and is not safety related. It is for any remaining unused product of the nasal spray formulation commonly known as FluMist.

“Most importantly, as with the recent recall of the infant formulation, there is no safety issue associated with these lot numbers of the H1N1 vaccine and this dose does not need to be repeated,” confirmed Dr. Bob Hartmann, Amador County Health Officer. “Both the CDC and the FDA agree that this slight decrease in vaccine strength is not expected to have an impact on the protective response to the vaccine.”

People who received vaccine from the recalled lots do not need to take any action. However, providers who may have some of the recalled vaccine in their offices should not continue to administer it.

Amador County Public Health did receive in mid-October 400 doses of one of the recalled lots, 500759P. Most of this vaccine was administered by mid-November, when the potency of the vaccine was still above pre-specified levels. “We have contacted all local providers who received this vaccine to with instructions not to continue to administer it if they have any left. It appears most of it was administered shortly after re-distribution,” stated Lori Jagoda, PHN Supervisor. “If you or your children received a dose of this recalled vaccine, there is no need to re-vaccinate.”

The nasal vaccine spray included in this recall was manufactured by MedImmune. The lot numbers are: 500754P, 500751P, 500756P, 500757P, 500758P, 500759P, 500760P, 500761P, 500762P, 500763P, 500764P, 500765P, 500776P.

To stay up-to-date on current flu information and recommendations, visit the Public Health website: [www.co.amador.ca.us/depts/public\\_health/](http://www.co.amador.ca.us/depts/public_health/).

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