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## Health Department Urges Community to Get Vaccinated as Respiratory Virus Season Arrives

As respiratory virus season begins, Crawford County Health Department is urging everyone to protect themselves and their families by getting vaccinated against influenza, COVID-19, and respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

"Vaccination remains the most effective way to prevent serious illness, hospitalization, and death from respiratory viruses," said Sonya Lenzendorf, Health Officer "We want everyone to stay healthy and enjoy the fall and winter months safely."

Respiratory virus season typically runs from late fall through early spring, when viruses like the flu, COVID-19, and RSV spread more easily. Vaccination can reduce the severity of illness and help keep hospitals and clinics from becoming overwhelmed.

Talk to your healthcare provider to determine which vaccinations are recommended for you and schedule your appointment today at your doctor's office, pharmacy or the health department. To schedule an appointment at the health department, call 608-326-0229.

Every shot helps protect not just you, but your loved ones and your community.