



**STATE OF HAWAII**  
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Dear Immunization Provider:

The Department of Health (DOH), in collaboration with the Department of Education, the Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools, Hawai'i Catholic Schools, and other critical partners will again conduct the "Stop Flu at School" program for the 2010-2011 flu season. The program will continue to focus on children aged 5-13 years (grades K-8). As previously, only one vaccination clinic per school will be held; children requiring a second dose of influenza vaccine will need to visit their medical home.

The recently completed third statewide school-located seasonal influenza vaccination program was conducted successfully at 342 schools or 91% of all public and private elementary and middle schools in the state. Over 70,000 elementary and middle school students, representing more than 45% of all children ages 5-13 years in the state, were vaccinated against seasonal influenza. In addition, as a result of this critical program, timely school-located clinics provided 2009 H1N1 pandemic vaccination to more than 55,000 school children.

Please contact Marcia Nagao, M.D., M.P.H. at (808) 586-8314 if you have any questions. We appreciate your continued support and partnership so that together we may protect the health of the children of Hawai'i.

Sincerely,

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