



## Portage County Combined General Health District

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### **Portage County Health District Announces Flu Vaccination Clinics Across the County**

**RAVENNA, OH** — As the fall respiratory season approaches, the Portage County Health District (PCHD) will offer flu vaccination to residents at our main office and through a series of community pop-up clinics. Weekly vaccine clinics will be held every Wednesday at PCHD, 999 East Main Street, Ravenna, Ohio 44266, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. To schedule an appointment, call 330-298-4490. Walk-ins are welcome.

Influenza (flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses that infect the nose, throat, and sometimes the lungs. Illness can range from mild to severe and can lead to hospitalization or death, especially in people at higher risk.

Most transmission happens when a person with flu coughs, sneezes, or talks and releases droplets that reach people nearby. Less often, a person may get flu by touching a surface with the virus on it and then touching their mouth, nose, or eyes.

#### **Thimerosal free vaccines**

Seasonal flu vaccines are designed to protect against the influenza viruses that research indicates will be most common during the upcoming season. All flu vaccines for the 2025-2026 season are trivalent. The trivalent flu vaccine is formulated to protect against three influenza viruses: 2 Type A Influenza Viruses and 1 Type B Influenza Virus. The US Department of Health and Human Services has recently adopted the Advisory Committees on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendation to remove mercury-based thimerosal from all Influenza vaccines in the United States. In accordance with these recommendations, the Portage County Health District will be providing influenza vaccines without thimerosal.

#### **Who should get vaccinated**

Everyone 6 months and older should receive a flu vaccine each season, with rare exceptions. This is especially important for people at higher risk of complications. Most health insurance plans cover the annual flu shot as preventive care.

## **Clinic schedule**

All clinics are open to the public. Walk ins are welcome during posted hours. No appointment required.

- **Every Wednesday starting 10/1/2025**

Portage County Health District, 999 East Main St, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.; 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- **10/2/2025**

Portage County Health District Pop Up Pantry, 999 East Main St, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- **10/7/2025**

Renaissance Family Center, 9005 Wilverne Dr, Windham, Ohio 44288

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- **10/8/2025**

Garrettsville Fire Department, 8035 Elm St, Garrettsville, Ohio 44231

6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

- **10/9/2025**

Aurora Fire Department, 65 W Pioneer Trl, Aurora, Ohio 44202

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

- **10/10/2025**

Streetsboro Fire Department, 9184 State Rt 43, Streetsboro, Ohio 44241

8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

- **10/12/2025**

Suffield Fire Department, 1256 Waterloo Rd, Mogadore, Ohio 44260

11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- **10/16/2025**

Shepherd's House, 2645 OH 59, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

- **10/21/2025**

Reed Memorial Library, 167 E. Main St, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- **10/24/2025**

Brimfield Library, 4286 Kelso Dr, Kent, Ohio 44240

10:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

- **10/24/2025**

Pierce Streetsboro Library, 8990 Kirby Ln, Streetsboro, Ohio 44241

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

- **10/28/2025**

Paris Township Trustees, 9355 Newton Falls Rd, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

- **10/29/2025**

Mantua Senior Center, 4810 East High St, Mantua, Ohio 44255

9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.

- **10/30/2025**

Garrettsville Library, 10482 South St, Garrettsville, Ohio 44231

10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

- **11/03/2025**

Aurora Memorial Library, 115 E Pioneer Trail, Aurora, Ohio 44202

11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

- **11/13/2025**

Portage Metropolitan Housing Authority Eastowne, 777 Eastowne Dr, Ravenna, Ohio 44266

1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

## **Insurance and payment**

- Please bring your insurance card.
- The following plans are accepted and will be billed: *Medicaid, Buckeye, CareSource, UnitedHealthcare, Molina, Anthem Medicaid, Medicare Part B if primary, Medical Mutual PPO, Aetna, Cigna PPO, SummaCare PPO, and Anthem Blue Cross Blue Shield*. There are no out-of-pocket costs with these plans.
- For other plans such as *Apex, Humana, or Tricare*, cash or check will be accepted and a receipt will be provided for you to submit for possible reimbursement.
- No one will be turned away for inability to pay.

## **Vaccine costs**

- Influenza (Flu) Vaccine
  - Regular Dose (Children and adults), \$40
  - High-Dose (65 years and older), \$90
  - If uninsured or underinsured, \$10
- Pneumonia Vaccine - 50 years and older and high-risk individuals
  - Prevnar 20, \$335
  - Prevnar 15, \$240
  - Pneumovax 23, \$170
- COVID-19 Vaccine
  - Pfizer, 5-64 years old (with a qualifying health condition), \$130
  - Pfizer, 65 years and older, \$130

Residents with additional questions can contact the Portage County Health District directly at **330-296-9919** or visit our website for resources and updates. For the latest news, education and real-time updates, follow us on Facebook, YouTube and LinkedIn.

## **About the Portage County Health District**

The Portage County Health District is committed to promoting health, preventing disease, and protecting the well-being of those who live, work, and learn in Portage County through education, prevention programs, and strong community partnerships. Learn more at [www.portagehealth.net](http://www.portagehealth.net).

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