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FLU SHOT AND SHINGLES VACCINE NOTICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL 831- EMPLOYER HEALTH FUND

The seasonal flu is serious. It could put more than 200,000 people in the hospital and cause as many as 36,000 deaths in the U.S. this year.

Flu shots are an effective way to protect you and your family. This notice does not pertain to the H1N1 "Swine Flu" vaccine. Talk to your doctor about availability and the best way to get that vaccine.

Effective February 1, 2013, the Local 831 Indemnity Plan covers the shingles vaccine (Zostavax). The patient needs a hard copy or "called in" prescription from the doctor to go to the participating pharmacy and have the vaccine administered at \$0 copay.

The Best Place To Get Your Seasonal Flu Shot and Your Shingles Vaccine

The Health Fund has made special arrangements with several well-known pharmacy chains to offer eligible members free vaccinations. For the Flu Shot you don't have to see a doctor to get a shot(s), subject to availability, at any of the participating pharmacies at no cost to you.

Indemnity Plan Members/Dependents

The following pharmacy networks are contracted with the Health Fund to provide flu shots and the shingles vaccine (Zostavax) at no charge to eligible members and dependents. You are still able to go outside of this network to receive flu shots and the shingles vaccine but you may have to pay some or all of the cost. The Health Fund recommends you check with the following pharmacies for vaccines availability, then go to your nearest location and show them your Optum RX Card (and, for the shingles vaccine, your prescription, unless your doctor has called it in) to get your free vaccinations:

Vons/Pavilions/Safeway

Ralphs

Raleys

Rite Aid

Albertsons

Kaiser Plan Members/Dependents

It is recommended that you call Kaiser's Customer Service line or your local medical clinic to find out how you can receive your flu shot and the shingles vaccine (Zostavax) without having to pay an office visit or other copay. Kaiser members must receive their flu shot and the shingles vaccine through a Kaiser facility.

The Local 831 – Employer Health Fund is pleased to be able to offer this service to eligible health plan members. If you need further assistance, please call the Administrative Office at 626-279-3080.