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## NEWS

### **Hamilton County Public Health Offering Free Vaccine for New Immunization Requirement**

**HAMILTON COUNTY, Ohio** – Immunization requirements for school-age children have been updated by the Ohio Department of Health. Effective for the 2010-2011 school year, a dose of Tdap vaccine will be required for students entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

“The Tdap (Tetanus, diphtheria and acellular pertussis) vaccine is important to protect children against pertussis, commonly known as whooping cough, a disease that is highly contagious and becoming more prevalent in our area,” Tim Ingram, health commissioner said.

In order to ensure every student has access to vaccine, Hamilton County Public Health will be conducting vaccination clinics. These clinics will be **free** of charge. All hours for the following Tdap-only clinics are **10 a.m. – 2 p.m.**

#### **May 1: Taylor High School**

36 Harrison Ave., North Bend, 45052

#### **May 8: R.G. Cribbet Recreation Hall**

5903 Hawthorne Ave. Fairfax, 45227

Visit [www.hamiltoncountyhealth.org](http://www.hamiltoncountyhealth.org) to access the Consent Form, Vaccine Information Statement and the Notice of Privacy. For efficiency purposes parents may wish to print and complete the Consent Form prior to attending the vaccination clinic.

Tdap vaccine will also be available at HCPH’s regular immunization clinics located at 13 sites across the county. Please visit [www.hamiltoncountyhealth.org](http://www.hamiltoncountyhealth.org) and choose Immunization Clinic Locations from the Quick Links drop down menu at the top of the page to view clinic dates and times. If you do not have access to a computer, clinic locations can be found by calling 513-946-7949. Additionally, parents may choose to have their child vaccinated at their primary care physician’s office. Please contact your physician to determine vaccine availability.

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