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Live attenuated intranasal H1N1 monovalent vaccine and a small amount of the inactivated vaccine were distributed to the Monroe County Health Department, hospitals and FQHC in the past week. Those practices who registered and signed the letter of agreement prior to 10/9 will receive vaccine during the week of 10/19. Priority was given to pediatric and OB/GYN practices.

Practices that signed their letter of agreement after 10/15 and practices that were not included in the first shipment will be informed by New York State DOH when they can begin to place orders. Ordering will potentially start the week of October 19th by calling **1-800-KID-SHOT** or 1-800-543-7468. Vaccine ordered on October 19th should arrive by the week of October 26 or Nov 2nd but may extend into mid-November. For details on vaccine ordering please check the attached document from the NYSDOH.

Providers who want to order vaccine in the future must be pre-registered with the NYSDOH and must sign a provider agreement. The website for pre-registration is <https://hcsteamwork1.health.state.ny.us/pub/top.html>.

Flu activity is low but on the rise, for updated information on the Flu surveillance in Monroe County please go to

<http://www.monroecounty.gov/File/Health/Flu/MCDPH%20report%20WE%2010%203%2009.pdf>

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